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## LAND IS PURCHASED FOR NEW GOLF COURSE HERE

A new 18-hole golf course is planned for North Saanich and the property has already been acquired. The Review learned this week that Winnipeg golfing interests have purchased 130 acres on the West Saanich Road, a short distance south and east of Ardmore Golf Club. Work on converting the property into an 18-hole course will be launched this year. Vendors of the property were heirs of the estate of the late Claud A. Allan who acquired a large acreage in North Saanich many years ago.

## Antidote For TV

### Makes Programs Most Enjoyable

Television is a very worthwhile addition to any home—but a person has to adjust his normal routine to the modern invention.

An old friend of The Review's will never see 80 again. He is a widower and enjoys a very quiet life in North Saanich.

His loyal sons and daughters, hoping to provide him with some cheery entertainment, purchased him a TV set. It was installed and put into action.

#### WILLING TO TRY

The elderly gentleman had lived a fairly full life for more than eight decades without television. But if it added to the richness of living, he was willing to give it a try.

He turned the machine on in the early evening and started to watch the pictures. Soon he was spellbound and kept it going until after midnight. He watched dancing girls and other lively programs. Then he turned it off and retired.

Now, usually the gentleman retires at 8 or 9 p.m. So he was four to five hours behind schedule when he went to bed. The next morning he was up and around as usual soon after dawn. He felt wretched. His head ached, he experienced dizzy spells and had spots before his eyes. He condemned television and its inventors.

#### WILL TRY AGAIN

Groping around for something to alleviate his suffering, he thought of a bottle of whisky. He despatched an emissary for a quart and uncorked it as soon as he secured possession of the stimulant. After three or four generous libations, he felt better. By evening he decided to turn on the TV set again.

## They Wed Here 50 Years Ago

Wednesday April 25, will mark the 50th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. John Mollet, of Fulford Harbour.

Residents of Fulford for the past 60 years, they were married by the Rev. Wilson on April 25, 1906.

They have three children, one son, Leslie, at Fulford, two daughters, Mrs. J. A. Fraser, Fulford, and Mrs. A. Soderquist, of Duncan, and eight grandchildren.

Mr. and Mrs. Mollet will be "at home" to friends and relatives on Sunday afternoon, April 22, at the home of their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Mollet, Fulford.

## Call The Next Witness

### Story of Famous Trial Here

#### AT BALMORAL ROAD

Hazel Peasey, of Balmoral Road, testified that she knew Baker and Sowash and that they had been at her home in the evening of September 14. They had been accompanied by Charlie Morris.

There had been nothing particular discussed, she stated, only that the visitors were running rum.

"What do you mean by rum?" asked Mr. Johnson.

"Booze," was the terse reply. She further testified that Baker,

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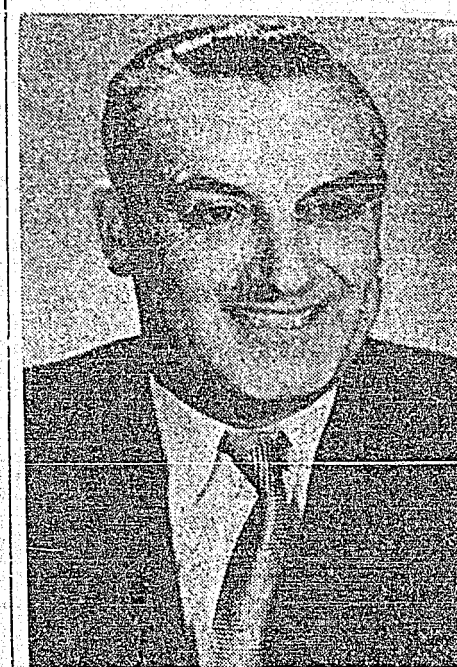
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## Hospital Cited As Trap

—By Giovando

Sharp criticism of Lady Minto hospital was voiced last week at Ganges, when 35 members of the Duncan Chamber of Commerce and their wives were guests at a dinner meeting of the Salt Spring Island Chamber of Commerce held recently in the Mahon hall, Ganges.

Retiring president of the local chamber, A. M. Brown, introduced the incoming president, Colin Mouat, and A. M. J. Field who welcomed the visitors. Among the guests from Duncan was J. Garner, past president of the Duncan Chamber of Commerce, and Ken MacAdam, incoming president. Barney Cox, president of the Association of Chambers of Commerce of Vancouver Island, spoke of the



DR. L. GIOVANDO, M.L.A.

advantages of working together as one association.

#### FIRE TRAP

Dr. Larry Giovando, M.L.A., was the main speaker for the evening and reviewed recent legislation carried out in B.C. He spoke of his efforts to bring about a separate riding for the Gulf Islands, for the establishment of chronic hospitals and for the inclusion of a fish and game department in the B.C. government. Calling the Lady Minto Gulf Islands hospital a fire-trap, Dr. Giovando said how disappointed he was to see the hospital by-law turned down on Salt Spring Island.

In appreciation of the work done by the Duncan Chamber of Commerce to establish the Vesuvius-Crofton ferry, Gavin Meul, president of the Gulf Island Ferry Co., stated that now and in years to come, presidents of the Duncan Chamber of Commerce and their families would travel free on the ferry.

One hundred persons attended the dinner, which was catered for by the Evening Circle of the United church, under the convenship of Mrs. B. Williams and the president, Mrs. I. Bradley.

#### REPAINT HOTEL

Exterior of Hotel Sidney is being repainted to improve the appearance of that part of the business community before the main tourist migration starts. The hotel looks very attractive in its new colors.

#### NEW EQUIPMENT

School principals and teachers will be given the opportunity of viewing new school equipment on Friday at an exhibition staged at Sir James Douglas school, Victoria. Principals will be granted time off in the afternoon to view the showing.

## Terrier Is Tops When Chasing Rats

Fox terrier on the McTavish Road farm of Ben Tremblay is a working dog. He offers a fair day's work for his ration of meat. Last week the 11-year-old terrier discovered rats in a store of old baled hay. Within a half-hour the dog had destroyed 41 adult rats and over 100 baby rodents. Mr. Tremblay did not state whether the dog asked for the rest of the day off, but few readers will dispute the fact that he earned it.

## Ambulance By Summer

Emergency ambulance service is planned for Central Saanich by the end of the summer. Sparked by Central Saanich volunteer firemen, the service will be free of charge and the ambulance will be manned by firemen in the same manner as are the fire trucks at the present time.

Fund sponsored by the firemen is already gaining support. A dance will be staged in the Agricultural hall at Saanichton on Friday, May 11, to raise funds for the project.

The ambulance will be purchased and handed over to the municipality. It will then be on call at all times in case of emergency. Police and medical or hospital authorities will be responsible for calling it. Transportation to hospital as such will not be included in its services.

The need for an ambulance is recognized by the volunteer firemen.

"Many accident victims have been taken to hospital in private cars, when such transportation could well be dangerous," said Fire Chief Vic Healy.

## LIFE-SAVING APPARATUS IS NEEDED

Mrs. Rene Stirling, well known Sidney welfare worker, is concerned because no life-saving apparatus is located on the Sidney wharf. To The Review she pointed out this week that such equipment could well save lives during the summer months.

Mrs. Stirling remembers the day when a welcome arch stood at the entrance to Sidney from the wharf. She wishes that it could be erected because it resulted in much good will.

The nurse points out that if a taxi met every boat which docked at Sidney Wharf, it would be a courteous gesture.

## NOTED ACTOR IS VISITOR

Famed Dickensian actor, Clement May, is a guest at Hotel Sidney and enjoying the spring weather in the district. He formerly resided at Deep Cove but disposed of his property here several months ago and spent the winter in England. He is now en route to Australia where he intends to establish permanent residence.

#### PURCHASES HOME

The modern, waterfront home of Gordon Brethour, near the intersection of Lochside Drive and Patricia Bay Highway, has been purchased by H. Fox, Sidney merchant. Mr. and Mrs. Brethour will take up residence in Victoria. Mr. Fox and his family will occupy their new home at the end of April.

## Players



AILSAL ROTHERY

Among the first amateur dramatists in North Saanich to sponsor the Peninsula Players, Mrs. Ailsa Rothery was elected president of the group at the annual meeting on Monday evening in St. Andrew's hall. Other officers include vice-president, Mrs. Eve Gray; secretary, A. F. C. Watts; treasurer, R. N. Shanks; executive committee, Mrs. Nellie Horth, L. H. Lunn, Kenneth Smith; committees, play-

reading, Mrs. Horth; programs, Miss Jean Christie; publicity, Mr. Lunn. The secretary read a report of the past year's activities. He noted that the group had made a notable advance in its objective of bringing good drama to the community. It was emphasized that the club would welcome new members, particularly between the ages of 18 and 25. There are vacancies in the club's lists for young men in this age group.

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## Fire District Approved By Large Group Here

—Leigh Outlines Plan

Without a dissenting vote, representatives of 20 different organizations in North Saanich fire district approved in principle the formation of a North Saanich fire district to provide continuing fire protection for this district. The meeting, held in the firehall of Sidney and North Saanich Volunteer Fire Department on Thursday evening of last week, heard Commander F. B. Leigh outline in detail the need of forming the district.

#### ANOTHER PARLEY

Delegates were urged to report back to their own organizations, secure their full approval and attend another planning conference in the firehall on May 24.

Thursday's meeting, called by Sidney and North Saanich Chamber of Commerce, which has operated the fire brigade for many years, was conducted by M. R. Eaton, the chamber's president. At the head table with him were Commander Leigh, chairman of the chamber's fire committee, and Fire Chief G. A. Gardner.

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## To Open School Tenders

Special meeting of Saanich School District on Tuesday evening, April 24, will open tenders for construction of a new two-room school at Deep Cove. Upon receipt of a satisfactory tender, work will commence immediately.

"On Monday evening Trustee G. C. Chatterton reported that work on Royal Oak high school, McTavish and Sansbury schools had been allocated to architects. He also reported that the drawings and specifications for North Saanich high school and Cordova Bay elementary school would be concluded by the end of the month and tenders would then be called. These two schools were listed earlier in the year as the two most urgent projects within the school district.

## PLAQUE OF WORMS IS REPORTED

Gardeners of North Saanich, with memories still vivid of a devastating outbreak of hungry tent caterpillars last spring, are watching their trees with anxious eyes these days.

And they may well be concerned. J. J. Woods, superintendent of the Dominion Experimental Farm in North Saanich, told The Review this week that numbers of tent caterpillars now hatching appear to be even greater than last year. At present they are little baby worms but they can grow quickly.

Mr. Woods said that the newly-hatched worms can quickly strip a tree of all foliage. He advises home gardeners to apply five per cent DDT dust with a hand duster without delay.

#### ACCEPTS APPOINTMENT

W. D. Durrance has accepted an appointment to the Royal Oak maintenance staff. His appointment was confirmed by trustees at Monday evening's meeting of Saanich School District.

## How Far Is a Star?

### Astronomer Explains Measurement

The light year, that distance travelled by light in one year, is a measurement rarely used by astronomers. Dr. R. M. Petrie, director of the Saanich Dominion Observatory, told Central Saanich Chamber of Commerce on Friday evening that distance is more commonly measured in miles.

Dr. Petrie was addressing the chamber as guest speaker at the 30th annual banquet in Brentwood W.I. hall. He explained at length the three stages which have been developed for measurement of space and for investigation of the nature of heavenly bodies.

In reply to a question from the floor, Dr. Petrie shattered any idea of visiting the moon which might have been considered by the members. He observed that the moon has a day equivalent to two weeks of the earth's time. At midday the temperature is capable of melting lead and at midnight it is at a point where air would freeze. There is neither air nor water on the moon, he added.

For centuries the stars had been studied by men, he recalled, but it

was not until a century ago that man was able to measure the distance to even the nearest. The measurement had been awaiting development of a telescope of sufficient power to permit of an accurate measurement.

The first stage in the measurement of distance in space was that of taking a sight on a star at January and then taking a further sight in July. By this means the distance could be measured trigonometrically, he explained. As the apparent movement of the star was measured in tenths of an inch in the case of a near one and in infinitesimally smaller fractions when a more distant object was taken, the measurement was not simple.

It was when the idea was evolved of using the spectrum as a means (Continued From Page Nine)

#### MORE TOURISTS

Traffic between Anacortes and Sidney via State of Washington Ferries continues very steady. Numbers of tourists in this district are increasing daily.

## Sidney District Baseball League Formed

### Youngsters To Register at Memorial Park on Sunday

Sidney is to have an active junior baseball league this season when four different teams will compete regularly for the entertainment of the fans.

Active plans for the formation of the Sidney and District Babe Ruth Baseball League were laid at an enthusiastic meeting in Sidney on Sunday afternoon. An organization

was formed with the following representatives: chairman, Wm. Slowart, United Church; secretary-treasurer, Ted John, Army and Navy Veterans; H. E. Robertson, Canadian Legion; and Claude Johnson, Rotary Club.

Coaches of four different teams were named as follows: United Church, Russell Kerr; Canadian

Legion, Norman Lundie; A. & N., Jim McDonald; Rotary, Harold Jacobson.

Sports equipment will be provided for the different teams and a full schedule will be drawn up. Frequent games will be arranged as well with teams from other points.

All boys, aged 15 and younger, are invited to report at the Memorial Park on Sunday afternoon, April 22, at 1:30 o'clock, when registration forms will be signed and the first practice arranged.

Sidney youngsters won a baseball title last year and league sponsors are most anxious to see the favorite summer game further advanced in Sidney this season.

#### WEATHER DATA

##### SAANICHTON

The following is the meteorological record for week ending April 15, furnished by Dominion Experimental Station:

Maximum tem. (April 11) 65.5  
Minimum tem. (April 12-14) 30.5  
Minimum on the grass 33  
Sunshine (hours) 62.1  
Precipitation 7.1  
1956 precipitation (inches) 10.12

##### SIDNEY

Supplied by the Meteorological Division, Department of Transport, for the week ending April 15.

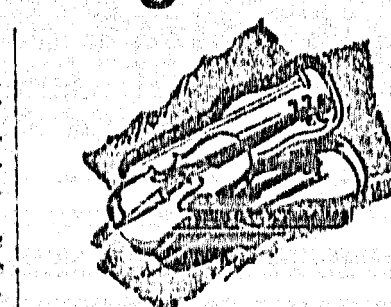
Maximum tem. (April 11) 65.5  
Minimum tem. (April 13) 30.5  
Mean temperature 50.0  
Precipitation (inches) 6.02  
1956 precipitation (inches) 11.38

## Stradivarius Legend Hoax Revealed By Reporter

A myth has been exploded. Superiority of the Stradivarius violin is a tale without foundation. A Stradivarius, in fact, is no better than any other type of instrument. Last week The Review learned of a Stradivarius in the possession of a Sidney family.

Armed with a repertoire of fine music and all the enthusiasm in the world, a reporter called on H. Hillman, Ocean Ave., to put to the test the comparison between one instrument and another. It was to no avail. The test was carried out with no little outside influence or possible. The reporter was not prejudiced. He had never played a violin, so that he could not be accused of prejudice.

With every confidence he placed the Stradivarius beneath his chin and drew the bow across the strings. Instead of the sweet harmony that is the true essence of violinism he drew a series of discordant screeches. His audience was not impressed. The dog slunk off into a corner, hoping to die. The bird rose to one to create a real harmony that would eliminate the sound of that sweet instrument. After at least five minutes' experimentation, the violin was discarded; the time was unrecognizable and the would-be-concert violinist swore off any further attempt to produce harmony from an instrument obviously incapable of producing it.



The violin was returned to its case and the player returned to his comb and paper.

ALL ADVANTAGES

The instrument in question, a product of the famous Cremona violin maker (according to the signature on the inside), was selected as the first violin to be tested because the amateur musician reasoned that he could only hope to achieve concert fame if he were given all the advantages enjoyed by any concert violinist. It made no difference, whatsoever, and his next violin will be purchased from a five and ten-cent store at 10 cents, each part, sold separately, and productive of a cacophony to equal any drawn from the aged Stradivarius.

In an effort to reveal to the common gaze the real status of a Stradivarius violin, the reporter then investigated the development of this legend of greatness attached to the stringed instrument.

far east, coming to Europe by way of Italy. Its immediate ancestor was the rebec of the middle ages, equipped with two or three strings and without the range or tone of the violin.

At this point Stradivarius entered the picture. A member of a noted Cremona family, Antonio Stradivari produced an instrument which was for many years recognized as the ne plus ultra of violins.

FAMOUS FAMILY

Cremona, in Italy, was the home of violin makers. Stradivari; the more common form of Stradivarius was the Latin form of his name; was a family engaged in the manufacture of these instruments and Antonio was the most famed of his family. He lived from 1644 until 1737. The instruments of his teacher, Nicolo Amati, are sometimes claimed to be superior. Giovanni Paolo Maggini made a sweet-toned instrument preferred by

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## SIDNEY COMMISSION COMMENTS

(BY COMMISSIONER MRS. V. COWAN)

### SPRING, BEAUTIFUL SPRING

At last work has been started on the roads, and this past week several streets have been graded and gravelled, as well as one lane, which due to sewer construction, has been impassable all winter making it impossible for residents to use their garages. With continued good weather, the next few weeks should find considerable improvement on many of the worst streets.

### FIRE PROTECTION PLAN

This past week a meeting was held at the fire hall to discuss the formation of a fire district for North Saanich and Sidney area. Representatives of 20 different organizations gave their unanimous approval to the idea. Existing cooperative agreements with Central Saanich and Department of Transport fire departments will remain the same, as will the very efficient service always given by our own volunteer fire-fighters. The only difference will be a very small tax which will be paid by everyone, rather than a possible 30 per cent of the population who now carry the entire responsibility by voluntary donations. We all benefit by the protection given by the fire department—not only in case of fire, but also by reduced fire insurance premiums. When the time comes to sign in favor of the fire district—give it your full support.

### DINNER GUESTS

At the 30th annual banquet of the Central Saanich Chamber of Commerce, the commissioners were among the invited guests and the two who were able to attend were asked to take part in the after-dinner speeches. An excellent dinner was served by the Brentwood Women's Institute, in the hall which was beautifully decorated with hundreds of daffodils. Many eloquent toasts were made and re-

sponded to, guest speaker Dr. Petrie from the Saanich Observatory and guest artists Miss Eleanor Duff and Pierre Timp were enjoyed by all.

### CHRISTMAS IN APRIL

How lucky we are in the village to have a "Santa Claus". How wonderful it would be if we were all in a position to do likewise, but unfortunately this is not so. Our "Santa Claus" who it has been reported "has been ashamed of the office furnishings since his election" is not alone in his feelings. But if you will remember back a few weeks, the commission was severely reprimanded for daring to mention the possibility of a new office when we still needed side-walks. The office is still too small and inadequate in spite of our nice new furniture.

### VILLAGE OFFICE CLOSED

Possibly some of you phoned or called at the village office at the beginning of last week and were unable to find anyone there. Mr. Sharp had been given time off to attend a Rotary convention, and unfortunately, while he was away, our very efficient office clerk, Mrs. Evans, was taken ill, thus leaving the office closed until Thursday morning.

### Miss E. Gwynne Is Ladies' Day Winner

Thursday, April 12, was ladies' day at Ardmore with 14 members enjoying nine holes and counting putts only.

Miss C. MacDowell, Mrs. P. Bland and Miss E. Gwynne, all came in with 15 putts, and Miss Gwynne was winner in the play-off.

Loose casters in furniture can be remedied by removing the caster, filling the hole with putty, replacing the caster, and scraping off the excess putty.

## FATHER AND SON AT TCA CONTROLS



For the first time in Trans-Canada Air Lines history, a father and son recently flew a scheduled flight together, from Toronto to Windsor. The father, Captain Art Hollinsworth, left, a Toronto check pilot with 16 years of experience with TCA, was at the controls while his son Armand was in the "right seat" as First Officer. Armand, previously with the RCAF, is a recent graduate of TCA's first officer class. His father has been flying for some 28 years and is a "many million miles."

## LEGION LADIES BUSY TO RAISE FUNDS FOR YEAR

The regular monthly meeting of the ladies' auxiliary to Canadian Legion, branch 37, was held at the Mills Road hall and 18 members and one visitor were present. A new member, Mrs. M. Pitcher, was welcomed into the organization by the president, Mrs. K. Herrington.

Approval was given to a motion to send \$25 to the scholarship fund of the B.C. command.

Mrs. F. Starr is to be the representative to the health council. Mrs. P. Brethour reported on a successful tea held at her home under joint convener with Mrs. J. Smith and Mrs. J. Miller.

The recent home cooking sale was reported a success, as was the smorgasbord held at the Legion hall recently. All members of the auxiliary are busy with small teas, card parties and talent work to raise extra money needed for the year's projects.

### MORE ABOUT VIOLIN

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some, while the products of Giuseppe Guarneri del Gesù are also ranked on a level with those of Stradivari. Until such time as an Amati, a Maggini or a Guarneri del Gesù should appear in the district, the Review staff is not likely to blossom out as a commercial string orchestra.

The Sidney test instrument was originally the property of Walt Miller, in Ontario. Miller employed Thomas Hilton, brother of the present owner for a time and presented him with the violin as payment for services. It then came into the possession of the brother now living in Sidney and was used for many years to provide music for barn dances in various Saskatchewan farming communities.

### IN STORAGE

When the owner came out to British Columbia the instrument was left in storage rather than have it stolen when he was in the woods. It was played occasionally until Mr. Hilton developed arthritis in his fingers and was unable to manipulate the strings.

He is living with his sister, Mrs. P. Hopkins, on Ocean Ave. The violin has suffered a slight defect in the back of the case and is no longer kept in perfect tune. Within the soundbox is an identification mark. It reads, "Antonius Stradivarius Cremonensis, Faciebat anno 1711." The last two figures are no longer decipherable.

Is it a genuine Stradivarius? The owner does not know. In fairness to the violin it must be admitted that the owner has drawn from its strings many a more beautiful tune than was wrung by an enthusiastic musician sent to view it by The Review.

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## ROTARIANS ARE IMPRESSED AS CONVENTION STAGED IN SEATTLE

On Wednesday, Apr. 11, members of the Sidney Rotary Club received reports from delegates to the Seattle Rotary Conference.

President-elect Harold Fox stated that he was wonderfully impressed with the world-wide influence of Rotary. He assured the club that he was "brimful of ideas" to assist him in leading the members in all aspects of Rotary service during the coming year. This was his "first" Rotary conference but he wouldn't miss another such inspiring experience.

Past-president Frank Stenton described the fellowship offered to visitors as unsurpassable. He also warned that many clubs had learned that a community project should be completed in one year. A. W. Sharp had studied many important details of carrying out his duties of

secretary. He had kept on file for future reference suggestions for youth service during the coming year. Past-president V. C. Dawson reviewed club service and recommended that next year Sidney Rotarians assist Victoria in making the conference an outstanding one.

Acting President S. S. Penny, pinch-hitting for holidaying W. J. Wakefield, advised club members that the Rotary auction to be held on Apr. 28, should be an excellent one. So far, Maj. Penny's team had collected most articles of value, but Padre W. Buckingham's team was rapidly overtaking the leaders.

The auction sale was required to meet commitments to the ball team and other projects.

## Boys Featured in Fund-Raising Show

Two Sidney boxers took part in a fund-raising boxing show at the Mount View high school auditorium on Friday, April 13.

Dennis Anderson, with his usual bad luck dogging him, ran into a windmill in the shape of Jim Ormiston, of Victoria Fire Department. He dropped a split decision in a real hectic bout.

Free swinging Bobby Beasley right hooked himself into the winner's side of the judges' slips by defeating Ray Black, of V.F.D.

Both boys put up a fine show and were a real credit to Sidney.

## Irrigation Scheme Banishes Drought

The spectre of droughts and crop failures is something that has haunted the prairie provinces since settlement began. The prairie irrigation schemes are well on the way towards banishing this grim prospect forever.

The first step in a huge program was the St. Mary River Dam, opened in 1951. In five years the former wilderness which it now helps to water has become a thriving agricultural region. The latest addition is the Travers Dam, 36 miles north of Lethbridge, Alberta. Built across the valley of the Little Bow River, this immense rolled-earth structure is 3,000 feet long, 1,000 feet thick at its base and reaches a height of 165 feet.

By the time the whole program has been completed more than three million acres of what was once arid desert will be producing all kinds of crops for a hungry world. The great success of this venture has increased the pressure by the people of Saskatchewan for national aid in the South Saskatchewan River Plan, aimed at irrigating some half million acres of drought-plagued land around Saskatoon.

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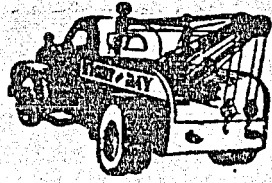
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A splendid program by the children was very much enjoyed. Piano selections were given by Alice Joyce and Danny Cronk. Carol Bickford delivered a piano accordion solo and Cathy Eames gave a baton twirling demonstration. Grade 4 presented a play, "The King's Highway". The girls of grades 3, 4, 5 and 6 gave a dramatization of Christopher Robin by A. A. Milne with Alice Mac-Arthy as soloist.

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Michael Stanlake and Glen Allen. A choral reading by the primary room featured Hughie Wood as soloist. A play by grades 5 and 6, scenes from Robin Hood, was enjoyed, also a skit, "The Parade of the Wooden Soldiers", by grades 3 and 4.

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### SAANICHTON

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A. Fisher, who was visiting his son and family, S. Fisher, of Simpson Road, has returned to Winnipeg. He is hoping to make preparations to move out here later in the year.

Mrs. Rennie, of Simpson Road, returned home after visiting over at Port Mellon a few days.

Roberta Ratcliffe returned with her mother, Mrs. Robert Ratcliffe, last week-end from a visit to the Shriners' hospital at Portland, Oregon.

### CRUELTY IS FEARED BY BREEDERS AT CONVENTION IN SAANICHTON

The 39th annual provincial convention of B.C. Goat Breeders was held in the Experimental Farm Pavilion on Friday afternoon, April 14, with the Lower Vancouver Island Goat Breeders being hosts to a group travelling from the mainland.

The business report of the association was read by the president, who occupied the chair, showing the results were very favorable. Discussion on the Pacific National Exhibition ensued and members present recommended Mrs. E. Smart as judge for goat exhibits.

The financial report was given by J. A. Campbell, Port Coquitlam. A discussion took place about the B.C. Goatbreeder's paper, The Bleat. As the publication is so extensive, requiring more time than present editor can afford, several suggestions were given, finally the group recommended the proposed Dominion executive council take it over as an all-Canadian goat bulletin.

At this meeting the slate of 1956 provincial executive officers were chosen as follows: president, E. Rees, Vancouver; vice-president, Mrs. E. Smart, Victoria; secretary-treasurer, J. A. Campbell, Port Coquitlam; directors, Mrs. B. Stathan, Langley Prairie; Mrs. E. Smith, Brentwood; N. Roddy, Terrace; J. West, Powell River and S. Newcombe, Vancouver.

There was a resolution by a member of the Lower Vancouver Island branch suggesting some kind of legal action to be taken in regard to cruelty and neglect of goats. The chair ruled that The Bleat does inform of proper treatment and good care of goats and also suggests a diplomatic notification of S.P.C.A. of extensive cruelty or neglect.

The Lower Vancouver Island Goat Breeders were accepted in affiliation with the provincial body also Terrace, Powell River and lower mainland groups.

After the adjournment of the business part of the meeting refreshments were served by Mrs. Jas. Cooper, assisted by Mrs. C. A. Dadds, Miss Esther Smith and

### KEATING

Mrs. F. W. Conconi, of Tanner Road, returned to her home on Sunday from Rest Haven hospital, where she spent several days receiving treatment for bronchitis and measles. Her many friends will be glad to hear she is progressing favorably.

Miss Edna Gait returned to her teaching position at Osoyoos, B.C., last week-end, after spending a few days at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Gait, Bear Hill Road.

Mr. and Mrs. P. Hindmarsh and daughter, Jane, who recently sold their property on the corner of Central Saanich Road and Keating Cross Road, to Mr. and Mrs. Speller, of Shawmigan Lake, left on Tuesday, April 17, to make their home in Ohio, U.S.A.

### FINAL PLANS ARE MADE FOR TEA AT PARISH HALL

South Saanich W.A. met on Wednesday in the parish hall with 14 members present. Mrs. G. W. Williams presided, in the absence of the president owing to illness.

Mrs. M. Atkins gave a detailed report on her visits as a delegate to the Diocesan W.A. conference, held in Victoria.

Arrangements were made to serve luncheon to the Men's Club and friends during the annual clean up of the cemetery and grounds. Final arrangements were made for the annual tea and sale to be held in the parish hall on Mount Newton Cross Road on Saturday, May 6.

Conveners for the work stall are Mesdames L. Littlewood and G. Shaw; home cooking, Mesdames R. Gibson, L. Thomson, M. Atkins, H. Inskett, G. Bremner and Browne; flowers, Miss H. Butterfield and Mrs. G. Williams; tea, Miss D. Worthington, Mrs. E. Smith, K. King, H. Harper, Miss S. Smith and Mrs. L. Newton; books, Mrs. Turkington and Mrs. Hale; tea tickets, Mrs. F. Jones. Tea hostesses for this afternoon meeting were Mrs. Bruce Taylor and Mrs. G. V. Williams. The final W.A. meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 9.

Some 1200 bags for used linen will be needed to transport soiled linen to the laundry aboard the new Canadian Pacific flagship, Empress of Britain.

The two main boilers aboard the new Canadian Pacific flagship, Empress of Britain, weigh 112 tons each, and are almost the size of a main house.

### MILK SALE TO BE DISCUSSED BY COUNCIL

Sale of raw milk in Central Saanich will be considered by Central Saanich council at its next regular meeting.

On Tuesday of last week the council received a letter from Saanich Progressive Conservative Association stating that the association had gone on record as being in favor of freedom of choice in the purchase of milk.

The council will be required to pass a by-law in order that raw milk may be sold within the municipality. The need for such action

### BRENTWOOD

Twenty members attended the monthly meeting of the Brentwood Womens Institute, held on Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. Harwood, of Victoria, who was one of the first members of the institute was a welcome visitor. Mrs. Clair Watts opened the meeting with a reading, "The Little Things of Life". The minutes of the previous meeting were read also the correspondence and monthly news letter, and the financial report was given. Final arrangements were made for the Chamber of Commerce banquet.

is occasioned by the recently approved provincial Milk Industry Act.

and Mr. Rees responded by blowing the candles out and wishing the 4-H club every success. The 4-H club had a stall of saleable goods including a pound of goat butter made by Mrs. Nina Christie, of Metochosin area, and a chocolate cake was raffled. The winner of the butter was Mrs. Maule, and the cake went to Mrs. B. Stanham.

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The monthly reports of the various committees were given. Mrs. Watts invited the members to hold the social meeting at her home, Ardmore Drive, on April 24. Resolutions for the provincial conference will be discussed at that meeting. Tea was served by Mrs. W. M. Parker and Mrs. E. G. Woodward after adjournment of the meeting.

Miss B. Atkins, West Saanich Road, has left for a three weeks' motor trip to Toronto with Mrs. Phil Salmon. They will visit Miss Atkins' brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Dudley Atkins and young daughter, Patsy.

The Queen's Scout certificate, the highest standard that can be obtained in scouting, was presented to John Kelly, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. V. S. Kelly, Verdier Ave. at the recent ceremony held in Victoria. Following the presentation John, together with 240 Boy Scouts, attended a banquet with the Lieutenant-Governor, at Government House. Mrs. Kelly attended the ceremony, accompanied by Mrs.

Stewart, the retired president of the Scout Group committee, who took the place of the president who was unable to attend through illness.

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## JUST A MOUSE

**SIDNEY'S** Third St. can accommodate a great many automobiles. This was proven last Thursday evening when delegates thronged to the fire hall to attend a most important meeting. Cars were parked cheek by jowl. Never before has this quiet, secluded thoroughfare presented such a picture. It looked the way Sidney village parking committee apparently believes it looks all the time. It was practically a traffic jam.

This is the street which the provincial government has ruled cannot carry angle parking. This was made clear by a village commissioner at the last meeting. Just who laid down this ruling to the commissioner was not made clear. The Review has ascertained to its own satisfaction that the ruling was not made by Premier Bennett. We're more inclined to think it may have been made by Mrs. Lydia Arsen, M.L.A.

Meanwhile the village has embarked on a policy of arranging angle parking on streets which today are little used because of restrictions. If two cars occupy 30 places today, it will still be the same two cars which occupy 60 places. Surely this is simple reasoning. How much wiser it would have been to arrange for angle parking and then lift the restrictions.

The much publicized announcement over angle parking is reminiscent of Horace's verse: "Patulent montes, nasetur ridiculus mus", meaning, "mountains will be in labor, the birth will be a single laughable little mouse".

## A PROGRESSIVE STEP

**REPRESENTATIVE** property owners of Sidney and North Saanich met in the Sidney fire hall last Thursday evening, studied the problems of financing the Sidney and North Saanich Volunteer Fire Department and agreed unanimously that a fire district should be formed to raise the necessary moneys by direct taxation. Not one voice was raised in opposition to the plan after the brigade's chairman, Commander F. B. Leigh outlined the problem in detail.

No one suggested that the brigade should be disbanded for the service provided by the volunteer firemen is an essential one. Commander Leigh made it eminently clear that the former system of voluntary donations would suffice no longer. So the only recourse was a program of direct taxation which was endorsed unanimously.

It was made perfectly clear that a person who owns a property assessed at \$3,000 would pay approximately one mill or \$3 per year for fire protection; a property assessed at \$4,000 would pay \$4; \$5,000, \$5; and so on. In other words anyone who has made a donation of any substance in the past would pay less in the future. The main difference is, of course, that everyone will pay. Nothing could be fairer.

The Review was very deeply impressed with the willingness of the delegates to tackle a difficult problem. We are confident that with such enthusiastic community support, the fire district will be formed before the leaves turn brown this fall.

## NAMING SCHOOLS

**NUMBERS** of very worthwhile newspapers, both daily and weekly, reach The Review office regularly. Whenever a moment presents itself, members of the staff of this newspaper peruse these journals from far and near.

All over western Canada new schools are being constructed as fast as possible to accommodate the soaring student population. Without exception, if we are to judge from the representative newspapers which are received here, every new school is named in honor of some citizen, living or dead, who has made a contribution to his home community.

The only exception, so far as we are aware, is Saanich School District No. 63. For some reason best known to the trustees, the board has refused to adopt a policy in this regard along similar lines to that followed in other urban and rural areas.

If Saanich School District's policy is right, and it may well be, then all the other school districts are wrong. On the other hand, if the others are right, the local board is failing to move with the times.

To name a school in honor of some worthy citizen costs the taxpayers nothing. Whenever anything is done in the field of education without an increase in taxes, surely it is worth considering. A dignified memorial to distinguished citizens can thus be arranged which does honor to both the citizen and the board.

## Letters To The Editor

### THEY WERE BAFLED

Editor, Review,  
Sir,

The people of this locality have a duty to perform during the next 50 years, to equal or exceed the record of the past half century. It has been easy to recognize wonderful gardens, good dairy farms, splendid berry fields, and the persons responsible for these branches of agriculture.

Now fashions have changed. Perhaps for the better. Collective marketing under good management made the berry growers in some degree prosperous. Often it was intensely difficult. Growers sometimes disagreed. City people on the Canadian prairies were prepared to pay good prices for strawberries after the first big war. Carloads were dispatched there as consignments to an American firm of brokers. Association directors from Gordon Head joined with Saanich in combined shipments. Saanich Association refused to divide their jam contract accepted by a Vancouver manufacturer, and sold the surplus and second grade fruit

there. A battle in which fraudulent claims and insulting charges were made by growers against each other resulted in a vote of confidence. And outsiders from mainland points and from Victoria were baffled.

PHILIP HOLLOWAY,  
Central Saanich, B.C.  
April 7, 1956.

### PENSIONERS

Editor, Review,  
Sir,

Recently a friend sent me some copies of the English Old Age Pensioner Magazine, and I was much interested to see that they have the same problems over there that we have here. In his Christmas message to their members the national president said: "Our organization can take credit for what has been achieved. There is still a great deal to be done. The cost of living is higher than ever before in the history of the country. The miserable pension is not sufficient to meet these costs and the poor become poorer every day."

Then, later in his message, he goes on to say: "I often wish I could give extracts from the many letters I receive, especially from the ten-shillings-a-week widows and others from all over the country. We still hear of places where little is known of our organization to it

## Reflections From the Past

### 10 YEARS AGO

Total of 135 vaccinations were made in Sidney on Monday. Further treatment would have been made by Dr. G. H. Hoehn and Nurse M. Bellis, had the stock of vaccine not been exhausted. The run on vaccine followed an epidemic in Seattle which has already claimed five lives.

Strenuous efforts are being made by ratepayers of Saanich Ward Six, seeking secession from Saanich municipality, since the recent intimation that the Relief of Saanich Act is to be rescinded by the provincial legislature.

Mrs. R. S. Gregory-Allen, who has been visiting her sister-in-law, Mrs. A. W. Hazell, Deep Cove, has left for her home in Alberta.

C. F. R. Dalton assumed the duties of scoutmaster for the Sidney troop at the recent meeting of the Scout association. He assumes the duties from J. S. Gurton and Mr. Anderson. Miss E. M. Badger will serve as cubmistress, while Mrs. D. R. M. Dalton will be cubmistress of Sidney "C" pack.

Residents of Vesuvius Bay, on Salt Spring, have been granted permission by order-in-council to incorporate as an improvement district. Water will be brought from St. Mary Lake.

Little Ina Murray, of Mills Road, lays claim to having grown the longest daffodil on record. The bloom measures 40 inches from base of the stalk to the flower top. "It just grew," said the youngster.

G. C. Lister, manager of Canadian Canneries Ltd., has promised members of South Saanich Farmers' Institute that as soon as adequate produce is available to justify the venture Saanich Cannery at Sidney will be re-opened.

At a badminton tournament held recently in the Fulford Hall, Fulford defeated Central 9-7. After the game refreshments were served at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Akerman. Central team included Mr. and Mrs. St. Denis, Mr. and Mrs. Mac Mout, Don Youds, Gordon Parsons, Daphne Graham, Mrs. Hastings. Playing for Fulford were Ileen Reader, Sheila Brenton, Mollie Akerman, Walter Cudmore, Floyd Kaye, Clarence Passmore, Bob Akerman.

W. D. Michell, Lorne Thomson, P. Holloway and F. Doyle have been appointed to the land-clearing committee for Saanich Peninsula by the South Saanich Farmers' Institute. First trip of the Vashon of Harper, Sidney-Anacortes ferry was made on April 1. Early commencement of the service is occasioned by the expected heavy incidence of tourist traffic. It is expected that the Motor Princess will be running between Sidney and Steveston as soon as she is ready for service again. She has been laid up during the latter war years, due to lack of crew.

### 20 YEARS AGO

A. N. Primeau was unanimously chosen to represent District No. Seven at the recent meeting of registered potato growers.

Industrial committee of Sidney Businessmen's Association, under the direction of George Gray, is making steady progress towards interesting outside groups in the formation of an airport for North Saanich.

Pender Island school was closed for a week recently as a result of the influenza epidemic which has stricken the area.

Mrs. D. G. Steeves and V. R. Midgley were guest speakers at Deep Cove on Saturday evening at a meeting called by the C.C.F. group.

Following members were present at the recent meeting of the Sidney Businessmen's Association when D. Craig and George Hill were thanked for the work that they had put in on the fire truck in Sidney. Freeman King, A. Harvey, S. R. Anderson, D. Lawrence, F. G. Bowcott, W. N. Copeland, A. Critchley, W. Peddle, George Gray, George Baal, Everett Goddard, G. A. Cochran, H. H. Shade, F. L. Godfrey, S. Roberts, T. Pohl and H. J. McIntyre.

F. W. Field, Sr., of Saturna, is a patient in Lady Minto hospital, at Ganges, this week.

Rev. Harold E. Sexton, Bishop Coadjutor of Victoria held a confirmation service at St. Paul's Anglican church, Ganges, on Sunday. Following candidates were confirmed.

seems we must have publicity, education and agitation. If we are to reclaim our charter, it means every city, borough and village must have their branches. We need the support of the younger generation. We are fighting their battle as well as our own. We built up the Trade Union Movement from which they are reaping benefits today. Now they should return that interest to the almost forgotten army, by demanding an adequate pension for those who gave them all. Through long hours and low wages, bad working conditions, etc., our generation made many sacrifices to enable them to have a better time than we ourselves had—much has been done for them. They can and should join us in this great Christian fight—there is nothing preventing that being done; no age limit bars the way."

As I read these words it struck me all at once that what he said over there is applicable to our own position here. Another session is drawing to a close and nothing to improve our position has been done. Next year is almost likely an election year. Every pensioner in the Dominion of Canada during this coming summer should write his member and tell them that unless their support of last a few years

ed: Evelyn and Mary Bennett, Joyce Robinson, Winsome Morris, Sheila Halley, Mary and Betty Scoones, Helen Moorhouse, Violet Heale, Dulcie Crofton, Vivian Layard, William Coste, Geoffrey Burkill, R. Baku, A. Stacey and Brian Inglis.

Mrs. J. Whiteley, Jr., entertained at her East Saanich Road, Keating, home recently in honor of the birthday of her daughter, Norma Jeanne. Tea was served by the hostess, assisted by Mrs. J. J. Whiteley, Mrs. B. Erb and Mrs. J. Thompson.

### 30 YEARS AGO

Nearly every family on Galiano was represented at the inaugural meeting of Galiano Island Development Association. Paul Scoones was elected chairman and later president. Other officers of the new group are, Capt. Ivan Denroche, vice-president; W. Miller Higgs, secretary-treasurer; and Mrs. Miller Higgs, Mrs. Lord, Joseph Burrill, E. H. Bambrick and W. Thomas, committee.

When Mrs. Georgeson travelled by boat from East Point to Mayne Island on Friday evening she and her three children reached the home of Mrs. W. Deacon, considerably shaken and soaked with water. Their boat had developed engine trouble half way across and had drifted on to the rocks while the engine was being repaired. Mr. Deacon and F. Bennett went to the aid of the fisherman. The boatman and his boy were stranded on the beach, their vessel wrecked. They were taken aboard the small vessel and later boarded a Japanese fishboat, saturated and frozen.

at the next session of parliament he will not receive his or her support at the next election.

R. G. STANTON ROSS,  
Publicity Agent,  
B.C. Old Age Pensioners' Organization.  
Vancouver, B.C.  
April 11, 1956.

### GRATITUDE

Editor, Review,  
Sir,

We should like to thank everyone concerned for all their kindness and help when Mrs. Foster had her accident last week.

We are glad to say she is resting comfortably at Lady Minto hospital and hopes to return home soon.

DICK FOSTER,  
ROWLEY FOSTER.  
Mayne Island, B.C.,  
April 16, 1956.

### FIRE DEPARTMENT

Editor, Review,  
Sir,

As a Central Saanich ratepayer, I have read with great interest your plausible, unsound and inaccurate editorial last week regarding our Central Saanich Fire Department. You have obviously been misinformed.

Also as an ex-reeve of Central Saanich, I have first-hand knowledge of the relations between the fire department and our council during my term of office and therefore I am in a better position to appraise the crop of rumors now in circulation regarding policy and financial arguments at present said to be going on between our council and the fire department. They sound like the same old unpleasant threats which I have heard before.

Our fire department, strictly speaking, is not a volunteer fire department. It is a municipal fire department, equipped and run at taxpayers' expense. It is operated by a crew of volunteer firemen and everyone in our municipality is fully aware and fully appreciative of the valuable, public-spirited service these volunteer firemen provide without any municipal payment either for their time or their expenses.

Our fire chief is not a volunteer as he is, strictly speaking, a part-time employee of our municipality, for which he receives \$600 a year. He is also regularly employed in Victoria and he only attends fires or makes the occasional needed inspections in his spare time, when not working in Victoria. The \$600 a year he receives from the municipality is in addition to his remuneration for full-time employment. He suffers no financial loss of his regular income as do the volunteer firemen, many of whom are in business for themselves and must leave their farming operations or other business while they attend fires. These facts are being stated by me to clarify the situation for our ratepayers as a lot of misleading and inaccurate rumors have been circulated on this aspect of our fire department.

Your editorial stated, "only cost to ratepayers is an allowance to the fire chief paid in respect of oil burner inspections". This is inaccurate. The operations cost to our ratepayers for our fire department each year since it was organized have been as follows: 1951, \$2,791.23; 1952, \$1,611.37; 1953, \$2,124.53; 1954, \$1,101.58; 1955, \$1,601.34.

In addition to these operational costs the municipality has paid out \$22,581.65 in capital expenditures on equipment other than the fire hall and a truck and other equipment of a total value of about \$800, which was donated to our fire department by one individual.

Regarding your statements on the handing over of municipal tax monies to a fire department to spend as it pleases. This would be a thoroughly unground and undesirable procedure for the duly elected representatives of the ratepayers to adopt. They are the custodians of trust monies and it is their responsibility to the best of

## MORE ABOUT FIRE DISTRICT

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avored the formation of a fire district with the costs of the upkeep of the brigade collected as taxes. He was confident that one mill on assessments would be ample for the district's fire protection.

A number of questions were asked and answered fully by Commander Leigh and Chief Gardner. The meeting approved the plan of formation of a fire district unanimously.

Commander Leigh explained that formation of a fire district would be done under the terms of the B.C. Water Act. A petition would have to be circulated and approved by at least 70 per cent of the registered property owners. While he was confident that practically every North Saanich property owner would wish to sign the petitions, he pointed out that circulating them was a sizeable task. Moreover numbers of them reside at distant points and petitions will have to be mailed to them.

The speaker was convinced that if all organizations represented went to work willingly at this community task, it could be finalized by fall. He was assured of this help and assistance.

Following the meeting, refreshments were served by members of the firemen's ladies' auxiliary.

### MANY DELEGATES

The following organizations were represented by one or more delegates: The Village Commissioners, Rotary Club, Rotary Anns, Army, Navy and Air Force Veterans, A.N. & A.F. Ladies' Auxiliary, I.O.D.E., Rest Haven hospital, North Sidney Property Owners' Assn., North Saanich P.T.A., Deep Cove P.T.A., Patricia Bay P.T.A., Chamber of Commerce, Canadian Legion, Ladies' Auxiliary to Canadian Legion, Knights of Pythias, Pythian Sisters, Sidney Ratepayers' Assn., Deep Cove Property Owners Assn., Sidney P.T.A., Sansbury P.T.A., McTavish P.T.A.

their ability that these public monies are properly expended.

Therefore they are duty bound to carefully scrutinize item by item the requests made by each department head, such as public works, fire, zoning board, police commission, etc., when the annual budget is being prepared. It is also the duty of council members, who are worthy of the name, to see that all expenditures are of a strictly essential nature only, in order to keep the taxes at the lowest possible level commensurate with rational, businesslike administration of the municipality. It would be very dangerous if the members of any municipal council were to abdicate their responsibilities and grant large sums of public money as requested by the heads of the various departments to spend as they please on the fallacious argument that they are in better touch with the situation in their respective departments.

The elected representatives of the ratepayers have definite responsibilities which they should not try to dodge in the manner you suggest.

Your editorial clearly infers that the council does not ask for and carefully study advice from the fire chief, regarding the purchase of fire equipment from municipal funds. This is not the case in Central Saanich as the fire chief is consulted by the municipal fire committee, whose recommendations, with reasons, are passed on to the full council.

These recommendations are again fully considered item by item along with all other budget proposals and their effect on the total municipal expenditure which is clearly reflected in taxpayers' next tax bill.

A small municipality such as Central Saanich must plan and manage its budget with great care and as the total revenue is strictly limited there is no room to indulge in lush extravagance or unnecessary expenditures.

While your editorial may sound plausible to people who do not understand the various responsibilities of municipal administration and the handling of public monies, it will not stand up to careful analysis by those who have a reasonable knowledge of municipal matters.

With due respect, Mr. Editor, I feel that you have been led up the

## The Review's Book Review

"Faces in the Dark", by Pierre Boileau and Thomas Narcejac. Translated by Geoffrey Sainsbury. Hutchinson. 192 pp. \$2.50.

Somewhat uncouth, essentially a man of the people, Richard Hermantier possessed the flair for effective industrial administration whereby a number of inventions of his own had been sold in numbers up to the time of their becoming superseded or losing their appeal. It was part of his claim to success that he knew when to curtail production to coincide with the expiry of interest in his product.



F. G. Richards

After the Second World War, possessed of more money than he had known for many years, Hermantier purchased a home in the country. That was the beginning of his troubles. The property had been occupied by German forces during the war and while he was engaged in extensive alterations, Hermantier struck and exploded a buried hand grenade. Escaping with his life by a narrow margin, the industrialist lost his sight. It is at this point that the story opens.

The writers picture the first months of a man's life after losing his sight. The circumstances are beyond those of the ordinary individual in the same position, for he is wary of leaving the administration of his affairs to others and he is already estranged from his wife.

Hermantier is taken by his family to the country estate to recuperate from his injuries. He is plagued by a gnawing fear that his family and associates are being less than fair to him. Gradually he is fearful for the security of his business and his own security. Constantly he asks himself are these the imaginings of a blind and mentally-unstable man

garden path by ambitious officials who have little or no regard for the taxpayers who must foot the bill caused by ambitious demands. I think you have been unwittingly induced to paint a plausible propaganda picture to help a few of our fire department officers in their argument with out municipal council.

In the past they threatened to put our fire department "on strike" unless their demands were met and they got away with it. Now they are apparently using the same tactics again but realizing the bad odor they created by their threat of a strike they now speak of "quitting" unless their demands are again complied with. This is merely calling the rose or skunk cabbage by another name, it smells the same.

Our present Reeve Brown is a successful businessman with a long standing municipal experience dating long before Central Saanich was thought of. Therefore as one of the ratepayers in Central Saanich who must foot the bill for all municipal expenditures whether paid for from grants or direct municipal taxes I have complete confidence that Reeve Brown will do his best to keep all such expenditures on a strictly necessary basis of practical utility without showy frills.

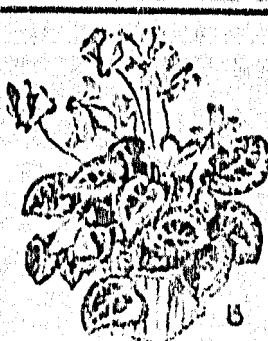
Businesses and municipalities do not succeed unless good sound judgment is shown in its administration.

Of course, the unfortunate taxpayers can always be forced to pay up to cover bad managerial judgment. It is hoped that good common sense will prevail in the present situation.

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Sunstead Farm,  
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I.O.E. BRIDGE AT ST. Andrew's Hall, 8 p.m., April 19. Tickets, 50c. 12-15-16

APRIL 27, 8 P.M., AT NORTH Saanich High School, the 8th annual general meeting of the North Sidney District Property Owners' Association. 16-1

Also An evening of first class on stage entertainment and refreshments. Admission, including annual fee, \$1; guests 50 cents each. 16-1

PUBLIC SPEAKING CONTEST, sponsored by Knights of Pythias, at Mount Newton High School, Friday, April 20, 8 p.m. Contestants from schools in Saanich District No. 63. Public is urged to attend. Admission free. 16-1

ANNUAL CONCERT AND HOME cooking stall on Friday, April 27, at 8 p.m., at Patricia Bay School. 16-1

"500" AND CRIBBAGE, Saturday, April 21, 8 p.m., St. John's Hall, Deep Cove Community Club. Everybody welcome. 16-1

OFFICIAL JAMBOREE FILM, April 20, 7.30 p.m., St. John's Hall, Deep Cove. Everyone welcome. No admission. 16-1

BLOSSOM TEA, SATURDAY, MAY 5, at 2.30 p.m. in K.P. Hall. Home cooking, aprons, etc. Auspices St. Elisabeth's Altar Society. 16-3

**ENGAGEMENTS**

Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Aiers, "Willowone", Third St., Sidney, wish to announce the engagement of their younger daughter, Yvonne Marion, to Mr. Charles Owen Wiggs, only son of Colonel and Mrs. C. W. Wiggs of Quebec City, P.Q. The wedding will take place on Saturday, May 12, at Holy Trinity Cathedral, Quebec City, with The Very Rev. Dean R. L. Seaborn officiating. 16-1

**BIRTHS**

LAMONT—Born to Mr. and Mrs. Glen B. Lamont (nee Shillito), at Rest Haven Hospital, on April 15, 1956, a daughter, Denise Gall. Thanks to Dr. Felix and Staff at Rest Haven. 16-1

**OBITUARIES**

SINCLAIR—In the Veterans' Hospital, Victoria, on April 17, 1956, Dugald Patrick Sinclair, aged 70, beloved husband of Edna C. Sinclair of Ganges, B.C.; born in Rothshire, Scotland, and a resident of Ganges since 1950. He leaves besides his wife at Ganges, one son, Duncan Sinclair in Victoria; two brothers, Alwyn and James Sinclair in Scotland. Mr. Sinclair was a veteran of the First War, enlisted in Regina, Sask.; was twice wounded. He was a devout man and lived to help others. Funeral from St. George's Church, Ganges, on Friday, April 20, at 2 p.m., Ven. Archdeacon G. H. Holmes officiating. Interment in St. Mark's Cemetery, Haywards in charge. 16-1

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## LADY MINTO HOSPITAL EXCEEDS CAPACITY AS PATIENTS OVERFLOW INTO CORRIDORS

At the Lady Minto hospital, during the month of March, 49 adults and children were admitted with a total of 302 patient days. There were two newborn with a total of 17 days.

From March 31 to April 17, 27 persons were admitted as patients to the hospital, of whom four were from Fulford, three from Mayne Island, and one from Vancouver.

Mrs. Ralph Allen has re-joined

the staff of the hospital after a lengthy illness.

Mrs. Denys Baldwin has joined the staff as permanent cook as of March 21, and Mrs. Winnifred Howard is now the relief cook.

**OVER-FILLED**  
During the week of April 11, on one day the hospital was filled to over-capacity, to the extent that a patient had to spend one night in the corridor.

Repairs have been completed on

electrical circuits to put them in safe condition.

Work is progressing on the grounds of the hospital, and it is hoped that a great improvement will be noticed by Hospital Day, May 10. J. Bennett is doing the work.

Donations to the Lady Minto hospital from March 31 to April 13 were received from: Mrs. L. Hanke, magazines and meat; Mrs. Warren Hastings, toys for children's ward; Mrs. A. J. MacWilliam, magazines; Howard Deyell, magazines; Mrs. George Stewart, magazines; Bevil Acland, magazines; Frank Stevens, gift to the staff; Mrs. A. Field, magazines; Mrs. George Everell, gift to the staff.

## NIGHT OF FUN IS ENJOYED BY LARGE AUDIENCE AT MAHON HALL

(Continued)  
A capacity audience greeted with delight and enthusiasm "A Night of Fun". A short and snappy burlesque performance, organized by the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Salt Spring Island branch of the Canadian Legion and produced by Mrs. Peter Cartwright in the Mahon hall, Ganges, on Friday, April 13, realized over \$156 for the funds of the organization. G. S. Humphreys made an excellent master of ceremonies, his amusing comments leaving never a dull moment from start to finish of the program.

The highlight of the evening was undoubtedly the "girls' chorus" and a special word of praise is due to W. A. Trelford for his singing and finished performance which introduced the "girls", so comically impersonated by T. A. Burge, B. C. Greenough, George Heinekey, Harry Newman, A. Lutz, John R. Sturdy.

Beautifully gowned as a Belle of the Naughty Nineties, Mrs. Lewis Parham, both with her singing and acting, gave a perfect impersonation of a popular song of that period, "A Bird in a Gilded Cage", followed by "I Wonder Who's Kissing Him Now". Another song, "Don't Play Bingo Tonight, Mother", was amusingly interpreted by Mrs. E. Booth. Mrs. A. Nobbs, with her sweet voice, rendered two Scotch songs, looking cute and attractive in her striking Scottish costume with kilt and other accessories.

### SPANISH DANCE

Diverting from the comic dancing of the Spanish "Corrido" by Miss Wendy Morris and J. R. Wickens was a delight and was followed by the greatly appreciated Sicilian "Tarantella", danced by Misses Wendy Morris, Barbara Burge, Pat Lee and Alan Trelford.

The comic orchestra, which remained on stage entertaining at intervals, was conducted by Mrs. Peter Cartwright, the pianist was Miss Kay Devine and those in the orchestra were Mrs. J. Bond, Mrs. Brian Williams, Mrs. R. Cameron, Mrs. W. A. Trelford, Mrs. E. Booth, Mrs. L. Parham, Mrs. G. Heinekey.

Local stores were wittily and amusingly advertised throughout the program, the sponsor jingles being Mrs. W. A. Trelford, Mrs. George Heinekey, Mrs. Peter Cartwright and models for some of the

## OCTOGENARIAN PASSES AFTER 45 YEARS' RESIDENCE HERE

The death occurred in Ganges on April 13, of Margaret Ferguson Reid, of Fulford Harbour, in her 88th year.

Mrs. Reid is survived by her husband, Thomas, Fulford, and two sons, John Dunlop Reid, of Ganges, and Ferguson Dunlop Reid, of Fulford, one granddaughter and six grandsons.

Mrs. Reid came from Scotland in 1908 and had resided at Fulford since 1911.

She organized the South Salt Spring Women's Institute and served as secretary-treasurer for 13 years. Afterwards she was made a life member of this organization. She was also a life member of the Fulford Harbour Community Hall board of trustees, an active member

## Shower for April Bride at Ganges

Honoring Miss Patricia Wells, whose wedding will take place on April 28, a miscellaneous shower, attended by about 16 guests, was given by Mrs. A. Hedger on Sunday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Patricia Howard, Ganges.

The rooms were decorated for the occasion with pink and white streamers and spring flowers. The guest of honor and the mothers of the bride and bridegroom elect, Mrs. Douglas Wells and Mrs. Patricia Howard, were each recipients of a corsage and the shower of gifts was presented to Miss Wells by Kathy Howard and Carol Fennell, in a decorated nest. Tea followed, served at a floral decorated table centred with a large white cake.

### FINED AT GANGES

In Ganges police court on April 11, Gordon Arthur Jackson was charged before Stipendiary Magistrate A. G. Birch for driving without due care and attention, and fined \$50 and costs.

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in the Burgoyne Bay United church and the fall fair committee.

The funeral service took place on Monday, April 16, from the Burgoyne Bay United church, with Rev. F. Forster and Rev. J. G. Bompass officiating.

Full bearers were Messrs. G. Mouat, W. M. Mouat, M. Gyves, H. Ruckie, W. Shaw and C. Zenkie.

## FULFORD

Regular monthly meeting of the South Salt Spring W.I. was held on April 12 at the home of Mrs. W. Bridgen. Mrs. A. Davis was in the chair and nine members were present. After the business was attended to, a contest followed, with Mrs. F. L. Jackson the prize winner for the most artistic creation. The May meeting will be held on May 8.

Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Mollet and Terry spent the past week in Vancouver.

Ronda Lee celebrated her eighth birthday last week and on Wednesday had a lovely party. Those present were, Mrs. A. Davis, Mrs. L. C. Lee, Mrs. A. Bennett, Mrs. J. Bennett, Fay, Lynn, Randy, Jean, Carol and Marla Bennett, Teddy and Bobby Mollet, Colleen Lee, Betsy Anne and Rosemary Bridgen, Janey French and her parents, and sisters, Lois and Elizabeth.

Mrs. T. Butt recently spent several days visiting with her mother in West Vancouver.

Mrs. M. Gyves is home after being in hospital in Victoria.

The South Salt Spring Amateur Boxing Card will take place in the hall on April 27. There will be 12 bouts or more, and this will be followed by a dance and refreshments. Arrangements have been made for a ferry to leave Swartz Bay at 6:45 p.m. and to leave Fulford at 2:30 a.m. to accommodate visitors from Vancouver Island, attending the dance.

The final card party of the winter series was held in Beaver Point hall on Saturday evening with seven tables of players. Proceeds were \$10.55. Winners included Mrs. J. Klassen, R. Patterson, and consolation, Johnny Campbell. The supper was convened by Miss N. Ruckie, Mrs. G. Reynolds, Mrs. D. Fraser, Mrs. G. Taylor and Mrs. G. Ruckie. Mrs. A. Stevens donated the prizes.

A. Barrett visited his son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. H. Dickens, for a week.

## New Pews Planned For Island Church

Monthly meeting of St. Margaret's Guild was held at the home of Mrs. B. P. Russell on Wednesday, April 11. The meeting was well attended, with Mrs. S. Page in the chair.

Business of the evening was the purchase of new pews for the church. Refreshments followed the meeting.

# THE GULF ISLANDS

## GANGES

Mrs. F. L. Tretheway arrived from Toronto on Thursday and is spending two weeks with her sisters, Mrs. R. T. Meyer and Miss Dorothy Mickleborough at Tantram, Vesuvius Bay.

Mr. and Mrs. D'Arcy McGee and their four children have returned to Victoria after spending the week-end on Salt Spring Island, guests at Aclands.

Alex Danilak, of Prince George, has left the island after a few days' visit as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Wolfe-Milner, Scott Road.

Miss Barbara Gillies returned on Monday to Vancouver, after spending a few days with her uncle and aunt, A. Blair and Mrs. Muriel O'Brien, Vesuvius Bay.

Miss Ivy Davy left Vesuvius Bay on Friday to spend a month in Vancouver, visiting her brother, Dennis Davy.

Guests registered at Harbour House: P. Turgoose, J. Church, G. Harvey, A. Stevenson, Dr. H. Johns, E. Horsey, Mrs. A. Inglis, Miss Honor Nash, Victoria; Mr. and Mrs. C. Holwood, Winnipeg; W. C. Revitt, Mayne Island; J. Graham, Castle; L. Paried, Dawson Creek; Mrs. A. E. Scoones, Galiano; Mrs. F. Prior, Port Washington; J. Jacobson, M. Mato, J. Zink, Nanaimo; E. Parsons, White Rock; R. Chambers, West Vancouver; Robert Gibling, Sardis; Miss J. Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. G. Meale, Mr. and Mrs. G. Jacklin, G. Watkins, Vancouver.

Mrs. W. A. McCann and her little daughter, Lindsay, who have been visiting the former's mother, Mrs. R. T. Meyer, for a few days at Tantram, Vesuvius Bay, returned on Sunday to West Vancouver.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Hardman, who have been guests for the week-end at Aclands, have returned to West Vancouver.

Following a five months' absence in various parts of California and Arizona, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Newman returned last week to Tantram, Vesuvius Bay.

After spending several days at Vesuvius Bay, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Britton, Mr. and Mrs. Otto Heaven left on Friday for Mel-fort, Sask.

Mrs. Douglas Parsons and her young son returned to Vancouver on Sunday, after spending a few days at her home, Scott Road.

## Successful Dance At Mayne Island

A very successful Spring Dance was held at the Mayne Island Community hall on Saturday, April 14, and attended by several people from the other islands, who were brought over by courtesy of O. H. New on the Lady Rose.

The orchestra was conducted by Doug. Goldsmith from Chemainus.

## SOUTH PENDER

The annual meeting of the Gulf Island branch of the B.C. Historical Society was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Spalding, on April 8, when they re-elected the previous executive en bloc. Two interesting papers were read, both pertaining to early days on Saturna Island. One was compiled by Mrs. Joan Ralph, a native daughter, and read by Mrs. Lorain Campbell. The other by Mr. Cowan, a keen deliver into the past. The ladies of South Pender provided tea, which rounded out a very pleasant afternoon.

Seen recently among visitors on the island were John and Joan Noble, Sybil Conery, David and Isabel Spalding, and small son Jonathan; all of Vancouver. Josephine and Janet Jennings home for the holidays, and Rosemary Nicholson, of Victoria.

## LEGION RALLY FOR FULFORD

Salt Spring Island Branch 92 of the Canadian Legion will be hosts on Saturday, May 5, to the other branches and ladies' auxiliaries of the Cowichan-Gulf Islands Zone at a travelling gavel rally to be held in Fulford hall, Fulford Harbor.

Color parties and delegations are expected from Duncan, Chemainus, Ladysmith, Cobble Hill, Lake Cowichan and the other Gulf Islands. The gavel ceremonies will be followed by a dance. President W. F. Thorburn, of branch 92, will preside, and A. G. L. Lewis, zone commander, of Duncan, is expected to take part.

The gavel travels from one branch to another in the Cowichan-Gulf Islands Zone and is now in the hands of the Salt Spring Island branch. The ladies' auxiliary to the branch will act as joint hosts.

A special ferry service will operate between Crofton and Salt Spring Island to accommodate visitors from Vancouver Island.

## SATURNA

Mrs. Keith Grey was a visitor to Victoria during the Easter holidays. Linda and Carol Crooks spent part of their Easter holiday in Victoria.

Mrs. M. Gibson and two daughters, of Victoria, were guests of Mrs. Gibson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. Gordon, during the Easter holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Copeland were recent guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. Copeland.

Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Fisher have returned from a short trip to the United States. They have taken up residence on Samuel Island.

Mr. and Mrs. George Sargent, of North Vancouver, have purchased property in the Money subdivision at Lyall Harbour and will commence building very shortly.

George Elgy, of Vancouver, is spending a few weeks on his Saturna property.

The children who were home for Easter holidays have returned to their schools: Billy Money to Shawnigan Lake; Betty Money to Vancouver and Barry Crooks to Victoria.

Tom Hunter is in Vancouver for 10 days and while there will have a check up at Shaughnessy hospital.

Mrs. E. Wood and daughter, Sharon, of Victoria, were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Blake Hunt. J. Fleming is a patient in Shaughnessy hospital.

A good representation from the local group accompanied Mr. and Mrs. J. Campbell to the annual meeting of the Gulf Island branch of the B.C. Historical Society, held on South Pender.

Keith Grey is a patient in the Veterans' hospital in Victoria. Bill Money left for Victoria on Thursday. His brother, Jim, joined him on Sunday and they will return on Monday.

E. Gilbert left on Sunday for Vancouver on his way to Calgary, where he will visit for a couple of weeks.

Jean Howarth was a week-end visitor to the island.

Charles Campbell is visiting his brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. J. Campbell and returns to Vancouver on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Bentham, of Vancouver, and A. Craddock, of South Pender, were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. Ralph.

Twelve members were present at the monthly meeting of the Saturna Women's Service Club. The meeting was held at the home of Mrs. B. J. Hallows on Lily Island, which lived up to its name as the whole island was carpeted with the lilies in full bloom. After the bus-

Mrs. D. A. New has left for a two-month vacation with the Canadian Postmasters on a tour of Europe.

Fred Lorenz of Big River, Sask., is visiting Mr. and Mrs. E. Lorenz and family.

H. Pelzer spent a few days in Sidney and Victoria recently.

Mrs. S. Riddell and Betty were in Vancouver for a few days this week. Miss Phyllis Gronning and Miss Peggy Simmons spent the week-end on the island.

J. D. Moore is at Salamanca Point for the week-end.

Bruce Gladman is home for the week-end.

Mrs. Mary Backlund spent a day in Victoria this week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. McKenzie and family, of Vancouver, are at Montague Harbor for the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. O. Inkster are visiting at Mill Bay for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Steward are spending the week-end on Mayne Island.

Mrs. Hattie Booth has returned home after a visit to Vancouver.

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Lv. Vesuvius 8:00 a.m.	On Sundays, Tuesdays, Fridays
Lv. Crofton 8:30 a.m.	Lv. Swartz Bay 8:30 a.m.
8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m.	8:30 a.m. 9:15 a.m.
10:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	10:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.
11:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m.	10:30 a.m. 3:00 p.m.
2:00 p.m. 2:30 p.m.	4:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m.
3:00 p.m. 3:30 p.m.	Arrive at Fulford at 5:45 p.m.
4:00 p.m. 4:30 p.m.	
5:00 p.m. 5:30 p.m.	
Arrive at Vesuvius at 5:55 p.m.	

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COACH LINES—Leaves Crofton Wharf on arrival of Ferry at 9:20 a.m. Arrive Nanaimo at 10:20 a.m.

COACH LINES—Leave Nanaimo 2:00 p.m. Connect with Ferry leaving Crofton Wharf at 3:30 p.m. Smith's Taxi leaves Vesuvius Wharf at 4:00 p.m. Arrive Ganges 4:20 p.m.

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Mondays and Thursdays	Wednesdays and Saturdays
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" Swartz Bay 7:45 a.m.	" Swartz Bay 7:45 a.m.
" Fulford 8:30 a.m.	" Fulford 8:30 a.m.
" Swartz Bay 9:15 a.m.	" Swartz Bay 9:15 a.m.
" Fulford 10:00 a.m.	" Fulford 10:00 a.m.
" Port Washington 11:00 a.m.	" Galiano 11:30 a.m.
" Saturna 11:45 a.m.	" Mayne 11:50 a.m.
" Galiano 12:50 p.m.	" Saturna 1:00 p.m.
" Fulford 1:15 p.m.	" Hope Bay 1:35 p.m.
" Swartz Bay 5:00 p.m.	" Fulford 4:00 p.m.
" Fulford 5:45 p.m.	" Swartz Bay 5:45 p.m.
" Swartz Bay 6:30 p.m.	" Swartz Bay 6:30 p.m.
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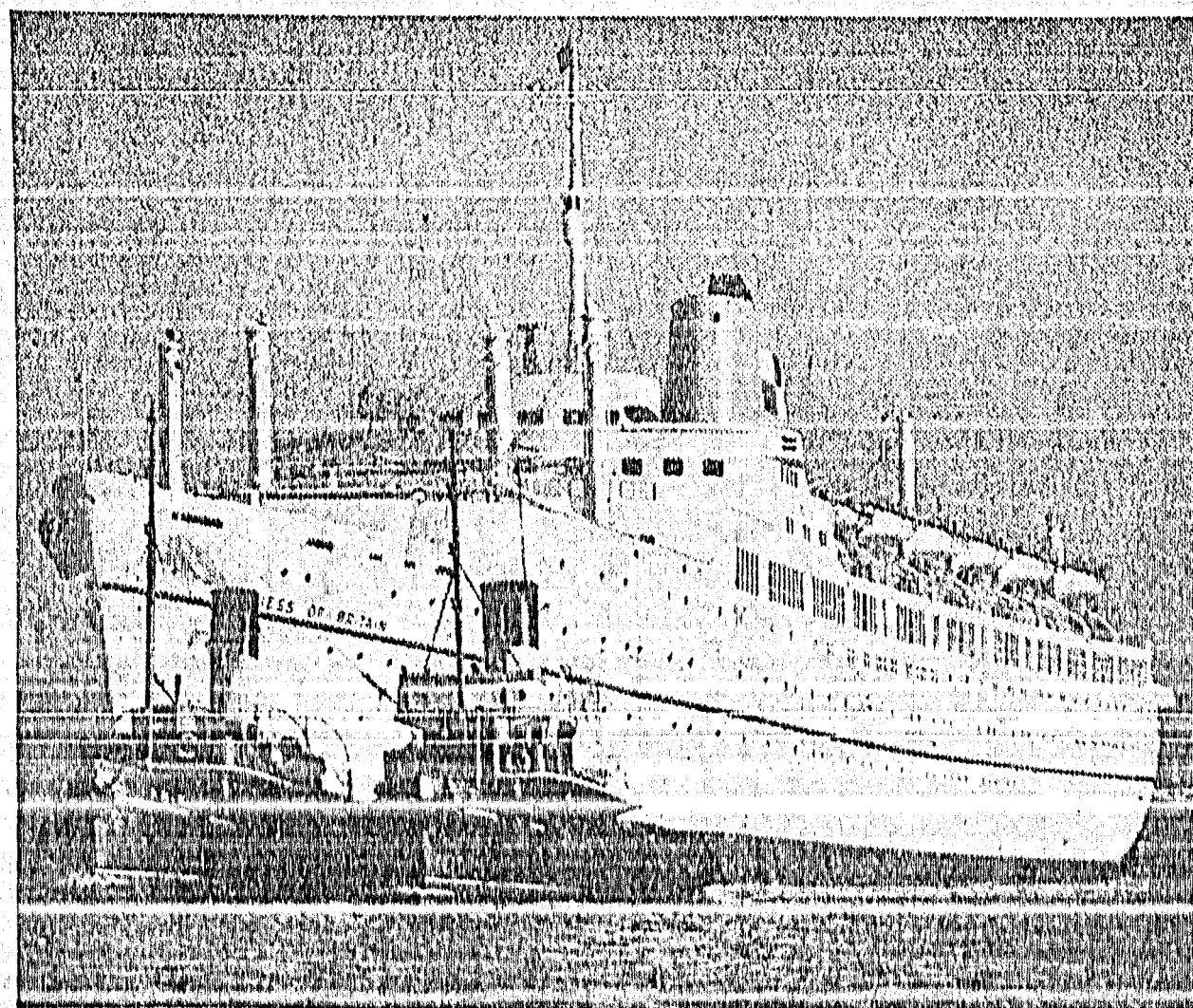
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TUESDAY	FRIDAY
Lv.—Vancouver 8:00 a.m.	Lv.—Ganges 8:00 a.m.
1140 W. Georgia	Lv.—Port Washington 7:00 a.m.
Lv.—Steveston 8:45 a.m.	Lv.—Mayne Island 7:40 a.m.
Lv.—Galiano 11:30 a.m.	Lv.—Galiano 8:00 a.m.
Lv.—Mayne Island 12:30 p.m.	Ar.—Steveston 10:30 a.m.
Lv.—Port Washington 1:30 p.m.	Ar.—Vancouver 11:15 a.m.
Lv.—Hope Bay 2:30 p.m.	
Lv.—Saturna 3:00 p.m.	Lv.—Vancouver 4:00 p.m.
Lv.—Ganges 3:30 p.m.	Lv.—Steveston 4:45 p.m.
Lv.—Mayne Island 3:50 p.m.	Lv.—Galiano 7:00 p.m.
Lv.—Galiano 6:30 p.m.	Lv.—Mayne Island 7:20 p.m.
Ar.—Steveston 9:00 p.m.	Lv.—Port Washington 8:00 p.m.
Ar.—Vancouver 10:15 p.m.	Lv.—Ganges 8:45 p.m.
1140 W. Georgia	Ar.—Steveston 11:50 p.m.
	Ar.—Vancouver (Sat'y) 12:40 a.m.

THURSDAY	SATURDAY
Lv.—Vancouver 9:00 a.m.	Lv.—Vancouver 8:30 a.m.
1140 W. Georgia	1140 W. Georgia
Lv.—Steveston 10:00 a.m.	Lv.—Steveston 9:15 a.m.
Lv.—Galiano 12:40 p.m.	Lv.—Galiano 12:00 p.m.
Lv.—Mayne Island 1:05 p.m.	Lv.—Port Washington 2:00 p.m.
Lv.—Port Washington 1:55 p.m.	Lv.—Saturna 3:00 p.m.
Ar.—Ganges 3:00 p.m.	Lv.—Hope Bay 3:40 p.m.
	Ar.—Ganges 5:00 p.m.

INFORMATION	SUNDAY	PASSENGER
MAINE 1237	Lv.—Ganges 1:00 p.m.	and
	Lv.—Port Washington 2:00 p.m.	EXPRESS
	Lv.—Saturna 2:50 p.m.	
MAINE 4481	Lv.—Mayne Island 4:00 p.m.	MU
	Lv.—Galiano 4:30 p.m.	3-3047
	Ar.—Steveston 7:00 p.m.	
	Ar.—Vancouver 7:45 p.m.	

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The order is for Cooper-Bessemer units—four for a new generating station to serve Prince George and three for a new plant at Quesnel. The units will operate on natural gas when it becomes available in the two interior centres, but can operate on diesel oil as well.

Well schedule calls for two units per month in October, November and December this year—one per month for each city. The fourth Prince George unit is scheduled to be delivered in January, 1957.

## REPLACE PLANT

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## MORE ABOUT HIJACKERS

(Continued From Page One)

house. Harrap was talking to another customer and observed Baker place a small satchell on one of the benches against the door of the boat. He then walked to the end of the platform and gave a little whistle. Shortly afterwards Strompkins came with his dinghy. Strompkins then made a phone call and the three men left aboard the dinghy.

Strompkins had made a habit of tying up in the harbor against a large rock. After the 15th he never returned, Harrap told Mr. Lowe in cross-examination. He explained that he had ascertained the identities of Baker and Morris when Strompkins had announced his intention of purchasing a seiner which was offered for sale by Harrap. The sale was to be financed by Baker and Morris, he had been told. This was a few days before September 15, he stated.

"Mr. Harrap, I put it to you," said Mr. Lowe, "wasn't that after Paul Strompkins went to you and asked you to get him a good lawyer?"

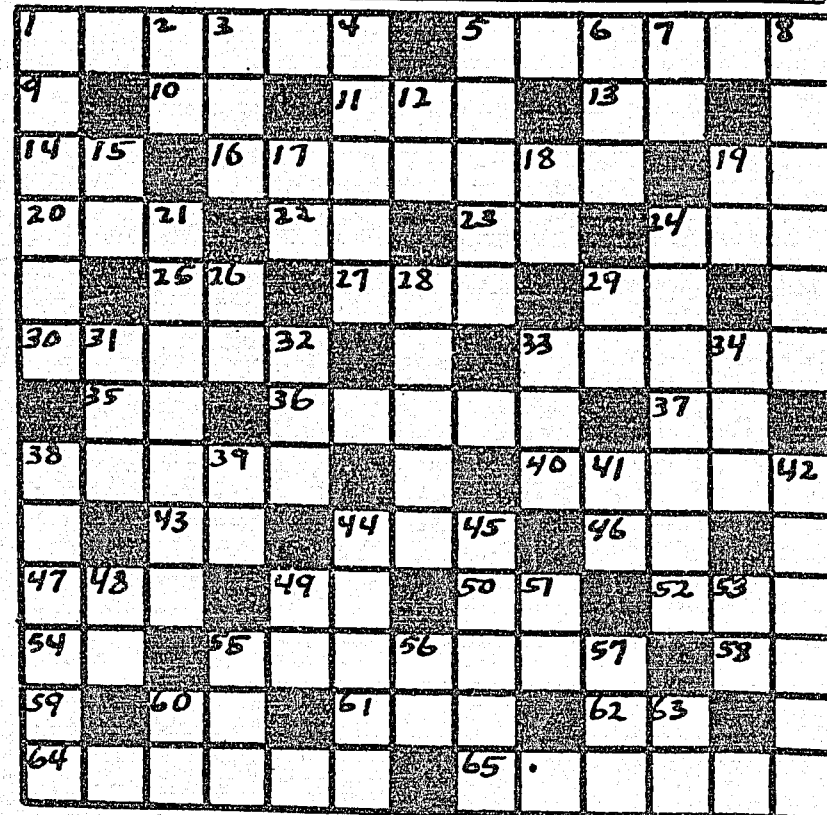
The answer was negative. Harrap had been assured that Baker and Morris were pretty good people and that they had money.

## FIRST INTIMATION

"When did you first hear of this alleged hi-jacking of the Beryl-G?" asked Mr. Lowe.

About September 18, was the reply. He did not see Paul Strompkins for about six weeks after learning of the incident. Towards the end of October, Strompkins drove to his house at the yacht club and asked him whether he could

## CROSSWORD By A. C. Gordon



- ### ACROSS

1—Military procession  
5—To check  
10—Public notice  
11—Shellac ingredient  
13—Preposition  
14—Negative  
16—Chosen  
19—Division of the day  
20—Doctrine  
22—Chemical symbol for silver  
23—Either  
24—Small drink  
25—Within  
27—Noun suffix equivalent to "ier"  
29—Parent  
30—Animal  
33—Pointer  
35—Southern U.S. state (abb.)  
36—A paradise (pl.)  
37—A couple (abb.)  
38—Kind of meat  
40—Auctions  
43—Roman 60
- ### DOWN

1—Chasten  
2—Ancient sun god  
3—Circic drink  
4—Lyrical poem  
6—Free  
7—Printer's measure  
8—Composite  
12—Type of electric current  
15—Bone
- ### Generalities

44—Affirmative vote  
45—Pronoun  
47—The sheltered side  
49—Mythic Sanskrit word  
50—Latin abbreviation for "note well"  
52—A speck  
54—Lines (abb.)  
55—Make wider  
58—Chemical symbol for ruthenium  
60—"That is" (abb.)  
61—Shoshonean Indian  
62—Exclamation of inquiry  
64—Season  
65—Retard
- ### Generalities

17—Musical note  
18—Comparative suffix  
19—Jumbled type  
21—A marvel  
24—Tested  
26—Compass direction  
28—Adverb  
29—Musical note  
31—Girl's name  
32—Adults  
33—Beast of burden  
34—Previously  
38—Rear  
39—Bovine  
41—Exist  
42—Planet  
44—Love affair  
45—Terminated  
48—Aerial train  
49—Either  
51—Part of verb "to be"  
53—Noun suffix denoting state of quality  
55—Wager  
56—Toward  
57—Square  
60—Preposition  
63—Exclamation

remember what time he had pulled out on September 15.

He had volunteered the statement that he was in serious trouble, that the police were after him and that he must get a lawyer. He tried to convince Harrap that the event had taken place before September 15, but to no avail.

"So then he said," continued Harrap, "Well, the police are getting after me," he said, "for they are going to seize my boat. I said, 'They cannot seize your boat unless you have been doing something wrong!' 'Well,' he said, 'I have been carrying liquor,' he says, 'and they know it,' and he says, 'It is against the law or something,' and he says 'they are going to seize my boat.' 'Well,' I says, 'you had better go and talk to them and find out what they are after.' 'No,' he said, 'he thought he better go and get a lawyer, so he asked me if I knew of a good lawyer. I said, 'There are lots of lawyers belonging to the club here,' I said, 'probably one of those would take on a job if you have one to spare.' So I told him to go and see Judge McIntosh, McIntosh and Finland, I said, 'they might handle your case for you,' I said, 'I know Judge McIntosh.' So he said, 'Alright,' and he went away."

**CONFLICT**  
Some conflict appeared between a previous statement by the witness as to the actual time he learned the identities of Baker and Morris. The witness had previously suggested in police court that he had identified them when Strompkins came to see him. He now stated that it was some time previously.

Mr. Lowe observed that Strompkins had testified that he and Har-

remember what time he had pulled out on September 15.

### ANSWER TO LAST WEEK'S PUZZLE

I	N	D	U	C	E	M	E	N	T	
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## Fishing on the Prairies



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## WOOD RECOVERY IS MAJOR FACTOR IN PROSPERITY OF INDUSTRY

Production of pulp and paper rose to a new high of 1,407,561 tons during 1956, according to a report issued by the Western Division, Canadian Pulp and Paper Association.

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It is estimated that the pulp and paper industry recovered 490,000,000 board feet of wood which would otherwise have been wasted or put to poorer use. Seven years ago there were no facilities for the utilization of this material.

This recovery alone means nearly \$40 million of new wealth for the people of British Columbia.

## NEWSPRINT

Newsprint comprised 41% of the total output, and the production of other manufactured items, excluding newsprint, rose to 153,298 tons, the highest on record indicating a growth of secondary manufacturing.

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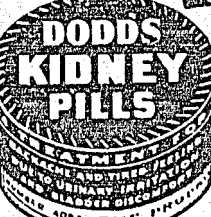
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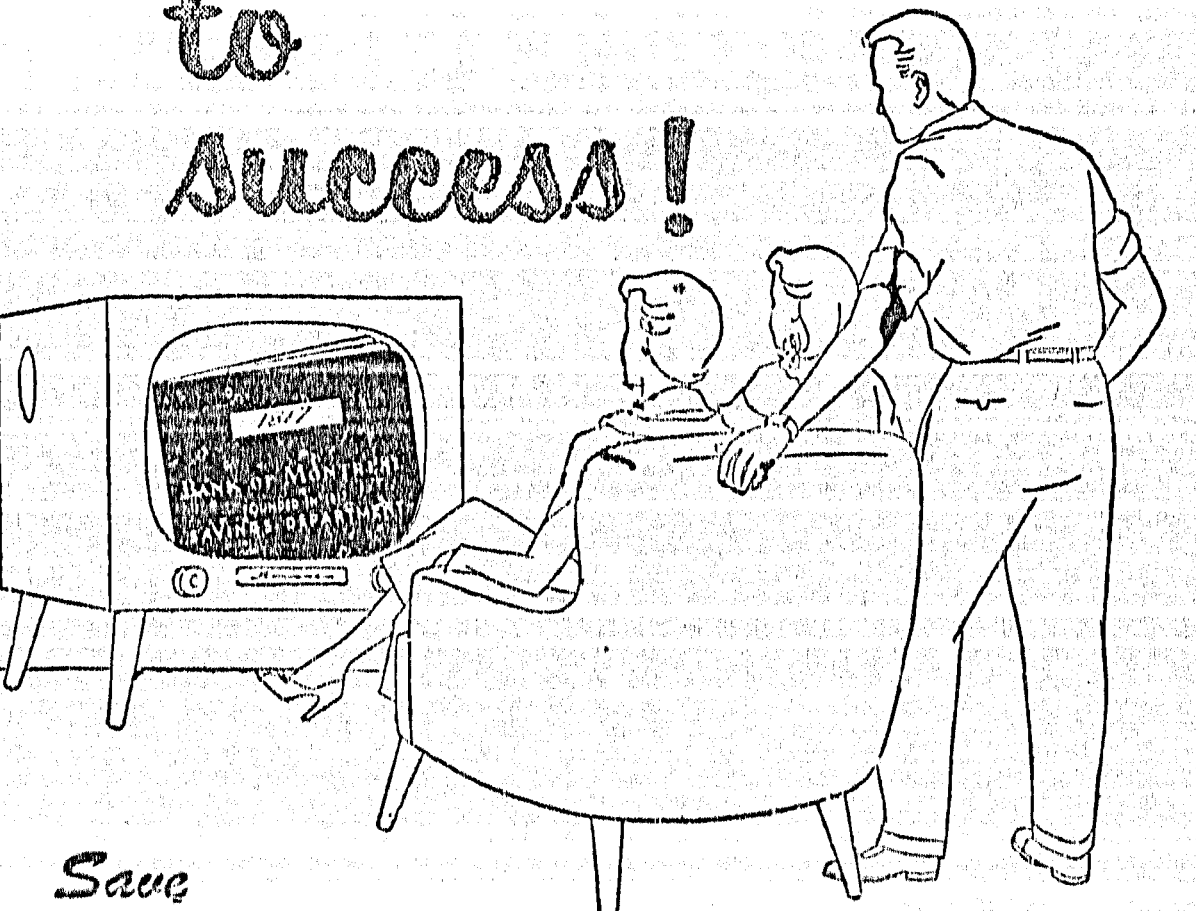


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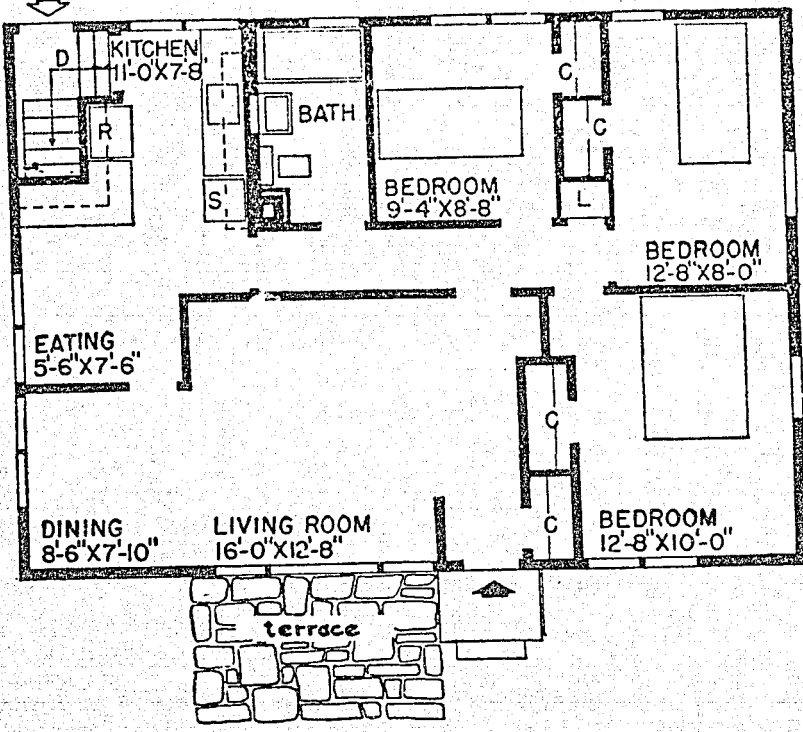
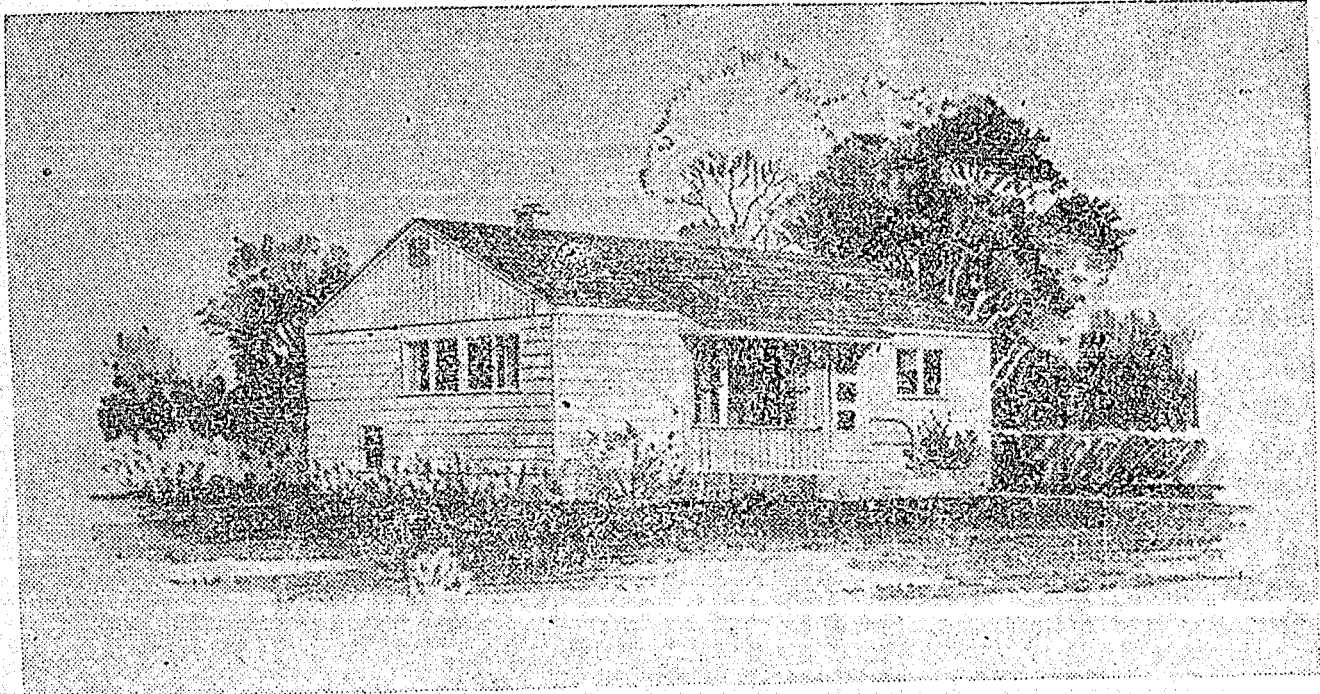
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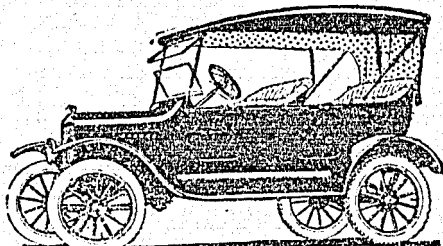


**NHA SMALL HOUSE DESIGNS**—Here's a budget-priced, three-bedroom bungalow designed by architect E. J. Danos, of Ottawa, who has relieved the rather severe lines with an attractive front entrance treatment.

The interior layout leaves little to be desired. One feature sometimes overlooked in bungalow designs—the provision of adequate dining space—has been included in this plan with an eating nook in the kitchen for light meals and a dining area off the living room. The kitchen, with its convenient working arrangement, is well-lighted and handy to the rear service entrance. The back to back plumbing arrangement for kitchen and bathroom fixtures also spells economy.

The floor area of this house is 974 square feet and the cubic measurement is 19,480 cubic feet. The exterior dimensions are 26 feet, four inches, by 37 feet. Working drawings for this house, known as Design 237, are available from Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation at minimum cost.

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DROVE ONE

Recollections of these cars which once were "this year's models" . . . 30 years ago.

Cadillac: built by the Cadillac Motor Car Co., Detroit, Michigan. Eight-cylinder s.v. motor also built by Cadillac. Until 1923, the engine was of 31.25 calculated horsepower. Later it was increased to 35.1 h.p. Like mink, it was in the luxury class 30 years ago and not every granddaddy drove one. Like mink, it has remained in the luxury class.

In 1926 the cheapest model was \$2,995 (U.S.) for a five-seater brougham. At the other end of the scale was the expensive model, a seven-seater Imperial suburban at \$4,485. The purchase of a Cadillac was no light matter. The two-seater roadster weighed 3,930 pounds. Heaviest was the most expensive, which measured almost exactly \$1 per pound at a weight of 4,355 pounds.

Cadillac was among the comparatively few expensive motor-cars which survived the between-wars period.

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Scenic Drive in Nova Scotia



The Cabot Trail, winding through Cape Breton Highlands National Park, Nova Scotia, is one of eastern Canada's most attractive scenic drives. Photo from Canadian Government Travel Bureau.

MODERN ETIQUETTE

BY ROBERTA LEE

Q. What is really the correct position in which a person should hold his head while eating at the table?

A. The head should be held in an erect position, without appearing stiff. The body can lean forward slightly, but the head should never be bent at a right angle.

Q. If a bride is extremely busy, isn't it all right for her to wait two or three weeks to acknowledge her gifts?

A. She would be very ungracious and reveal an extreme lack of good breeding if she did. Each gift must be acknowledged promptly—the same day received, if possible.

NEW ANGLE ON TRAVEL

SUSPENDED CHAIN CURES SICKNESS

New angle on travel sickness is offered by the motoring correspondent of a prominent English newspaper. It shouldn't work, no doctor will agree that it can work, but the designer assures his readers that it does.

The amateur doctor had a small daughter who was invariably sick while travelling in a car. He suspended a chain from the rear bumper and set out on a long trip.

SIDNEY BOY RUNNER-UP

Vancouver Island champion in the 95-pound class, Bobby Beasley, of Sidney Boxing Club, was awarded the only medal to come to Vancouver Island recently from Trail.

Bobby was fighting in the golden gloves tournament in the mainland city. Defeating his opponent in the semi-finals, Manney Blaney from Lumby, by a technical knock-out, Beasley went into the finals to suffer defeat at the hands of Ernie Campbell, Totem Athletic Club.

The decision was close, leaving the Sidney boy to gain an impressive silver medal. Second representative from the Sidney club, Harvey Plewes, was defeated by Reggie Vick, of Marpole, in the semi-finals.

The boys, accompanied by Bert Williamson, were able to attend the tournament by courtesy of Sidney Recreation Commission and Sidney unit, Army, Navy and Air Force Veterans of Canada, who shared the cost involved.

Electronic Mail Sorting Device

The Canadian Post Office has recently spent a million dollars experimenting with a unique system of electronic mail-sorting. An electronic keyboard translates the address on an envelope into a code of dashes and stamps the code on the back of the envelope. Next the coded letter is passed to a "reader" which flashes the code to the central "brain". In a fraction of a second the "brain" issues directions for sorting the letter, which is then deposited in the exact slot for its destination.

If this device works out as well as it is expected to, it will eventually be installed in main post offices throughout the country. The larger models, it is believed, will do the work of about 400 men and sort upwards of 150,000 letters an hour. The experiment is being watched with keen interest by postal officials.

EXPERIMENTAL FARM NOTES

WEEKLY REPORT OF NORTH SAANICH STATION

LEAF DROP

Some hollies, while being propagated from cuttings, have a strong tendency to shed their leaves. When complete shedding of leaves takes place in the propagating frame, the cuttings seldom, if ever, root satisfactorily and as a result are worthless.

In order to determine if the standard holly dip, which is used to prevent leaf-drop of cut holly shipped at Christmastime, would overcome leaf-drop during propagation, an experiment was started last November. For this purpose cuttings were taken from a particular variety which was known to lose its leaves readily during propagation. First, the ends of the cuttings were allowed to stand in a solution containing indolebutyric acid (strength 50 parts per million) for 24 hours. This treatment has been shown to be best in previous experiments.

Next, one-half of the cuttings were placed in clean sand in a propagating frame where the air temperature of the greenhouse was kept at 50 degrees fah. A soil heating cable in the sand beneath the cuttings kept the sand temperature at 65 degrees. The remaining half of the cuttings were placed in a similar frame with a soil heating sand temperature of 55 degrees. Air temperature was uncontrolled. Cuttings in each frame were grouped into four equal lots. The first lot was sprayed eight times with naphthalene acetic acid (strength 30 p.p.m.); the second lot was sprayed five times; the fourth lot four times. On Apr. 10, 1956 the cuttings were examined and graded as to how well they had rooted. Data was also recorded according to leaf persistence.

A summary of the more important results is shown in the table below. In general, it was shown that in the frame in the greenhouse the more frequently the cuttings were sprayed with naphthalene acetic acid, the less the leaf drop and consequently the larger the percentage of rooted cuttings. Cuttings which were not sprayed produced the least number of rooted cuttings. With the frame situated outdoors, however, results for reasons as yet unexplained were somewhat different. In the latter case for instance, the percentage of well-rooted cuttings in the most frequently sprayed lots was scarcely as good as the lot receiving no spray at all. Actually, the number of rooted cuttings in these two treatments was 65 per cent and 68 per cent.

Experiments with drop-leaf during propagation will be continued. Percentage of well-rooted holly cuttings sprayed with naphthalene acetic acid to prevent leaf drop, 1955-56.

Number times sprayed	Greenhouse propagation frame	Outdoor propagation frame
8	75	65
5	53	40
4	42	53
0	20	68

FERTILIZER

A number of people have enquired from time to time regarding application of fertilizer to sawdust mulched areas. They often wonder whether the fertilizer will leach through the mulch.

We have investigated this particular point with various fertilizers by applying the fertilizer to the surface of the mulch and making soil analysis at intervals thereafter. We found that ammonium nitrate (nitraprills) moved through the mulch quite readily. Fertilizers such as 8-10-5 are more insoluble than ammonium nitrate and required a longer period of time to dissolve and move through the mulch into the soil.

We found that if the fertilizer was applied not later than March 15 that there was sufficient rain to leach the food elements through a three-inch mulch. If one does not apply the fertilizer early and wait until the sawdust has started to dry then it is doubtful whether there will be sufficient rain to leach the food elements through the mulch into the root zone.

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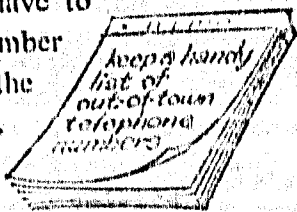
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## BEFUDDLED AND SLOPPY

### FORD LASHES OUT AT COUNCIL

Final approval was given by Central Saanich council last week to the construction of Senanus Drive. A petition signed by nine of the 11 property owners concerned asked for the project to be carried out at a cost of \$1,850 to be paid under a local improvement scheme.

B.C. Telephone Co. had approved the moving of power lines at the company's expense following a visit by Reeve H. R. Brown and R. Smith, of Senanus.

Dissentient was Fred C. E. Ford, who expressed his objection to the construction of the road under a local improvement scheme in a letter addressed to the council. No action was taken. Following is the letter from Mr. Ford.

"As one of the dissenters in the decree by this council that Senanus Road must be paid for by the local residents, I would like my reasons recorded.

"I believe that the work should rightly be done out of general revenue. Taxpayers have lived on this long-established road for more than 15 years and have paid high property taxes for all those years. "The method of payment, as out-

lined by council that each resident, no matter how large his holding, pay an equal amount is, in my estimation, not a fair method. As soon as the road is put in it is the intention, freely expressed, for some properties to be sub-divided and sold. This will mean an unfair allotment of costs for those who do not intend to sub-divide.

#### NO ASSURANCE

"No assurance is given that future maintenance work and oiling will be done by council. The only promise made and that verbally, is that the road will be "accepted". This is sheer doggerel. The road is now legally "accepted" and has been since the District of Central Saanich was incorporated.

"In conclusion, I must plainly state my lack of faith in a council which has displayed extraordinary befuddled thinking and sloppy and careless administration in this whole project.

"I need only cite the lack of the proper calling of tenders on the proposed work . . . and the spineless administration in the building of another local road. Sluggert Road.

## MRS. M. A. SCOTT NEW PRESIDENT OF SAANICH PARENT-TEACHERS

Annual meeting of the Saanich Peninsula Parent Teacher Council was held in Mount Newton high school on April 9, with A. H. Bolster presiding.

Reports of officers and executive members were read. These indicated that the council had had a very active year and that much had been accomplished. The co-operative spirit that exists between the council and the school board has proved very beneficial to both organizations in planning educational projects in the district.

The election of officers placed several new names on the executive body and resulted in a complete change of office for those who had held office previously. The following is a list of officers for the coming year and the associations they represent: past president, A. H. Bolster; Keating; president, Mrs. M. A. Scott; Royal Oak high school;

first vice-president, J. Nimmo, Mount Newton high school; second vice-president, F. Leacock, Royal Oak elementary school; third vice-president, F. Sealey, North Saanich high school; recording secretary, Mrs. W. McAloney, Brentwood; corresponding secretary, Mrs. R. L. Chase, Cordova Bay; treasurer, J. Forge, Sansbury; parliamentarian, W. Todd, Patricia Bay-McTavish.

#### COMMITTEES

The following were elected to head various standing committees, L. Cox, Sidney; Mrs. A. Burden, R. E. Haughey, W. Lukinuk, Brentwood; Mrs. T. Jahn, L. Christian, D. G. Huntley, North Saanich high school; A. Butler, Mount Newton; J. Allen, Keating.

F. J. Willway, president of the District Teachers' Association, conducted the installation ceremonies.

"Mrs. W. McAloney, council delegate to the recent provincial P.T.A. convention gave a very interesting and comprehensive report on what was accomplished at the convention and urged that more persons attend these conventions.

## SPEAKERS AT BANQUET LOOK TO FUTURE OF VANCOUVER ISLAND

President-elect of Central Saanich Chamber of Commerce, V. C. Dawson gave a serious note to the chamber's 30th annual banquet on Friday evening when he referred to the Fairway aviation plant at Patricia Bay airport.

He quoted Boeing plant in Washington, which had been opened in the vicinity of Seattle. It now employs 39,000 persons, he said.

"Fairway Aviation Company of England," he commented, "came to Patricia Bay without invitation from any chamber of commerce."

He said that this advance of industry presented a challenge to the neighboring municipalities. Industry is looking for space and facilities, he said. In conclusion, he suggested that there were not the facilities available for families with young children.

Mayor Percy Scourrah stated that he had been assured by William Mainwaring of that company that the B.C. Electric would lay a new submarine cable to link the Island with the mainland as soon as the present installation was used to its capacity.

The company had prepared a summary of future power needs in British Columbia and planned the expenditure of \$2½ billion on development. The company had also secured the services of a specialist in a campaign to attract industry to B.C. In such a design the Island would not be forgotten, he assured the guests.

Councillor Ainslie Worthington, of Saanich, quipped that the provincial government might provide free ferry transportation for Malahat tourists while the road construction was in progress.

Councillor R. M. Lamont, of Central Saanich, observed that the newcomers to the area recognized its development more readily than those who have lived here all their lives.

Saanich Peninsula is developing into an urban area, he said. Farmers are having the battle of their lives.

#### SUBDIVISION

"Agriculture is losing out, I must admit," said Councillor Lamont, "Farmers are gradually realizing that the best way out is to subdivide their farms and sell them as residential sites.

At a recent convention in the east, Councillor Lamont had been gratified to find many people thoroughly aware of Saanich Peninsula and eager to come out here to retire

The only place left for agriculture, he believed was in specialty farming.

Other speakers included J. D. Tisdale, M.L.A., Sqdn.-Ldr. E. J. McLoughlin, Councillor John Windsor, Commissioner Mrs. Vivian Cowan, and Commissioner M. R. Eaton.

The banquet, in the Brentwood W.I. hall, was prepared by the ladies of the institute and was widely commended. Chairman was retiring president, R. L. Desmond.

During the evening entertainment was offered by Miss Eleanor Duff and Pierre Timp.

## LATE SEASON REFLECTED AT AIRPORT

Late spring and early Easter conspired against the busy growers of the area to severely hit the first big flower trade at Easter. Daffodils which are normally flown to the east are now developing in the fields.

This lateness of the crop which represents a minor disaster to many growers, is reflected in the air traffic at Patricia Bay Airport. At Easter, in normal years, a constant flow of flowers destined for Easter tables in the east leaves the airport here. This year traffic was very light, with only a few early blooms making the deadline.

Feature of the low traffic level is the comparative large quantity of flowers shipped out after Easter. In normal years the traffic in flowers falls to almost nothing after Easter Sunday. This year it remained steady for the following weeks.

#### RISE

Despite the loss in traffic at Patricia Bay entailed by the reduction of floral shipments, freight shipments by air are steadily rising and the set-back represents only a slight lag to the rising graph, reports T.C.A. manager, J. A. McDonald.

A rush in flower shipments is expected for May 13, Mother's Day. Tulips will be in full bloom and shippers are expected to concentrate on the later blooms to compensate for Easter losses.

#### Seeks Leave

Principal R. S. Price of Royal Oak high school sought a year's leave of absence at Monday evening's meeting of Saanich School District.

The matter was referred to a committee after a recommendation by Trustee G. C. Chatterton that the leave be granted and honorarium paid.

#### RETURN FROM SOUTH

Capt. and Mrs. M. D. A. Darling have returned to their Land's End home after a motor trip through southern California.

## MORE ABOUT PETRIE

(Continued from Page One)

of measurement that distances of stars were more readily calculated, explained the astronomer. The spectrum gave the true brilliance of the star. By measuring the apparent brilliance a ratio was discovered which gave an accurate reading of the distance. This means of measurement brought recognition to Saanich Observatory. In 1922 two astronomers here published their findings. Those findings covered the distance of 1,100 stars. At a recent convention in Virginia, Dr. Petrie was gratified to hear reference to these findings by the chairman of the convention. It was then stated that the work of these two local astronomers had never failed to find confirmation.

Study of the galaxy of stars of which the earth forms part had occupied the attention of astronomers for many years. Improved telescopes permitted of greater scope and now other galaxies, lying millions of miles out in space, are being investigated. In such cases there was insufficient light to permit of a special analysis of the light, explained Dr. Petrie.

In the meantime it had been discovered that there were a number of stars whose light was variable. It had already been discovered that the variation of light had a direct relation to its distance. This principle was applied to stars lying beyond the power of telescopes. The galaxies were investigated for discovery of a variable star. When it was found the cycle of variation was measured and could be converted to distance.

Distances in space were not the only factors astronomical in measurement, said the speaker. It is estimated that there are another 200 million other galaxies beyond the stars known and recognized from the earth.

Referring to distances, Dr. Petrie urged his audience not to try to appreciate them. He explained that light travels 6,000,000,000,000 miles

## AFTER 265,000 MILES

# His 20-year-old Rolls Has Never Been Touched

How old is a car? Philip Bushby, North Saanich motor mechanic can offer the answer. Proud owner of a 20-year-old Rolls Royce, Mr. Bushby speaks of the history of his car with awe. The venerable automobile has travelled for 265,000 miles. To date the head has never been removed and the only work on the engine has been to fit the spare set of ignition points provided with the car when new.

Fitted with a close-coupled custom body by Park Ward, of London, the car came across Canada pulled by Mr. Bushby is the proprietor of the East Saanich Road garage hitherto operated by Frank Hunt. Mr. Hunt will address himself to the construction of his new home on Patricia Bay Highway before entering any further commercial venture.

Mr. Bushby has resided in Saanich for the past two years with his wife and family. Leaving Yorkshire in 1952, after waiting a boat since 1947, Mr. and Mrs. Bushby resided in Ontario for

in a year. As the nearest of the outside galaxies is 1,500,000 light years away, this represents approximately 9,000,000,000,000,000,000 miles away.

The speaker explained that no theory has yet been advanced to explain the origin of the solar system and which would stand up to test. He said, in answer to enquiry from H. D. Dawson, Saanich municipal engineer, that there was no scientific explanation of the Star of Bethlehem.

The observatory is a major tourist attraction, the doctor reminded his audience. About 25,000 tourists visit the observatory annually.

a time, where Mr. Bushby was engaged in the automotive business and also in aviation. He was responsible for fitting elevators to the first 60 CF-100's which came off the line.

#### WESTWARDS

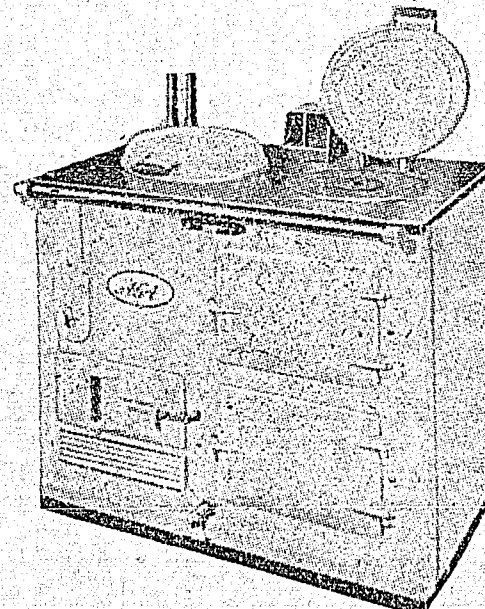
The family then moved westwards, taking their time as they crossed the prairies. The family Rolls, which is stabled with an M.G. and a Morris Eight, has a long history of travel. Before setting its wheels on Canadian soil, it had visited every European country with the exception of Spain and Portugal.

When the Bushby's left Skipton in Yorkshire, they were obliged to wait their time for passage. The problem was to find a vessel which could take a 20-foot trailer into its hatches and still provide accommodation for the family. The quest for such a vessel took them five years.

#### AUCTION SALE

The departure from Southampton was marked by an auction. Operating a garage business in England, prior to embarking, Mr. Bushby owned three cars and two trailers. He elected to bring out one car and one trailer. All except a 1928 Fiat were sold in Yorkshire. The small car was used to bring the trailer to the docks. At that point Mr. Bushby announced to bystanders that the car was for sale. He sold it on the spot to the highest bidder.

The Rolls will shortly undergo its first overhaul. The head will be removed to clear out a lifetime accumulation of carbon. After its minor overhaul it will continue to travel around the Peninsula at its regular 20 miles to the gallon. Biggest blow to the owner is the \$50 yearly license as compared with the \$10 he paid in Ontario.



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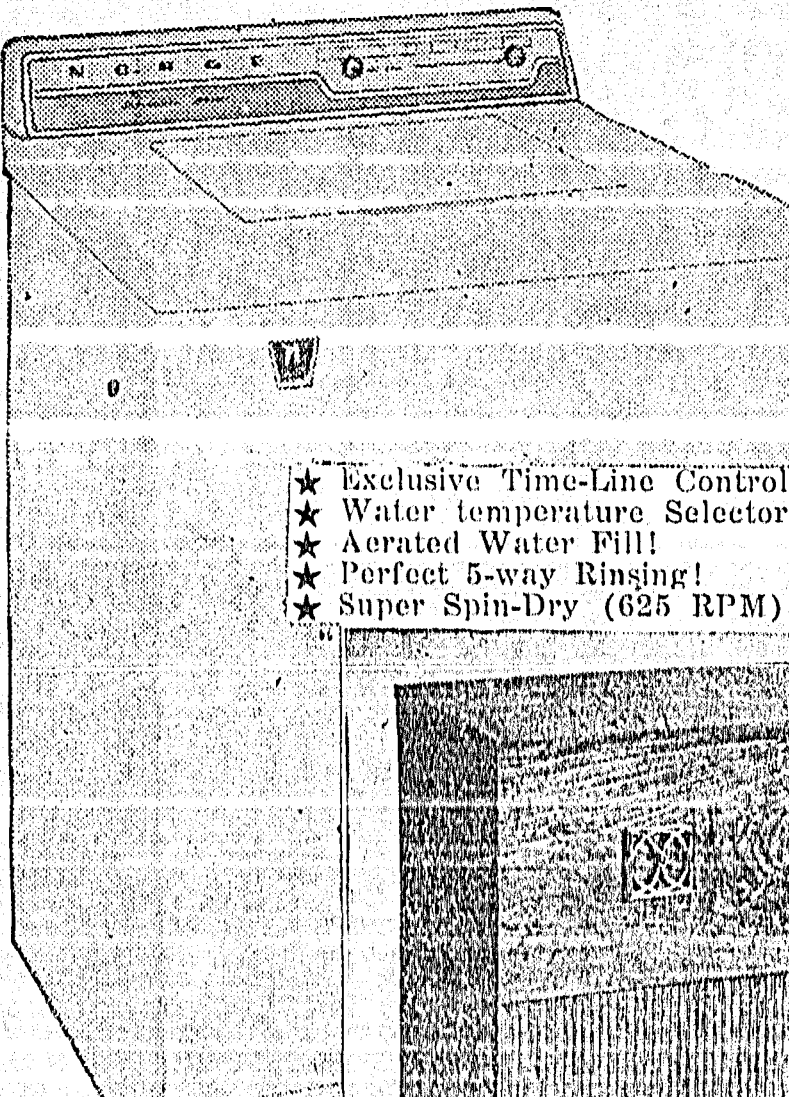
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## Gaglardi Pressed By Bureau To Improve Islands Roads

—On Islands

What is the provincial highways department's policy with regard to the maintenance of roads on the Gulf Islands?

Members of the Gulf Islands Improvement Bureau, representing Galiano, Mayne and Saturna Islands, are baffled as to how the provincial government attempts to keep the roads in condition.

In session on Wednesday last, Bureau delegates expressed strong criticism of the state of the roads.

### LETTER FORWARDED

Miss A. E. Scoones of Galiano, secretary of the Bureau, was asked to write Hon. P. A. Gaglardi, high-

ways minister, in an effort to clear up the mystery. Following is her letter to the minister:

"At a general meeting of our organization two items which concern your department were discussed at length.

"The first is one which has puzzled and annoyed us for a long time—that is the allocation of money for road work. We would like to know the government's policy on this, and to ask that the allocation of money for each island be stipulated, as the present system seems to lead to great dissatisfaction on the part of the road foreman and also the taxpayers.

"The second item is that we agreed that the condition of the roads in spite of tremendous increase in traffic, is very poor. We request immediate attention to these, not with shovels full of gravel but with some up-to-date road equipment."

Copies of the letter have been sent to Dr. L. Giovando, M.L.A., the Pender Islands Farmers' Institute and the Salt Spring Chamber of Commerce.

## DEEP COVE

Recent guests at the home of Mrs. Bowes, Clayton Road, were: Misses Mary and Janet Thomson, Carmel Valley, Calif.; Mrs. M. Simpson, Hamilton, Scotland, and Mrs. B. Haddow, Vancouver. Mrs. Haddow and Mrs. Simpson left by plane on Monday, April 16, for Scotland.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Corey, Bladworth, Sask., were guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. Holder, Clayton Road, and Mr. and Mrs. G. Holder, Deep Cove.

Mrs. Frances Collins and son, James, of London, Ont., will be guests for two months at the home of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Aldridge, Swartz Bay Road.

Mrs. Percy Aldridge is a guest at the home of her brother-in-law, Frank Aldridge, Swartz Bay Road. Guests of Mr. and Mrs. M. Sumpston, Wains Cross Road, were Mr. and Mrs. Dave Watson, Portage la Prairie, Man.; Miss Evelyn Watson, Vancouver, and Mr. and Mrs. Sedgewick, Victoria.

Mrs. R. L. Dunlop, Chalet Road, invited a few boys to her home on Tuesday afternoon, April 17, to help celebrate the eighth birthday of her son, Jimmy.

## MOUNT NEWTON SCHOOL NOTES

A number of Mount Newton high school students paid a return visit to Salt Spring Island high school on Saturday, April 14, taking four softball teams to play in a friendly tournament. An early start was made from the Mount Newton school, and an enjoyable trip was had by car and boat to Ganges. Teachers accompanying the teams were A. E. Voege, principal; and R. Sanford, J. Forge, F. Francis and Mrs. Hardy.

Of the four games played, each school ended up with two winning games.

Mount Newton junior girls won their game by eight points, with a final score of 20-12. Players were Gail Logan, captain; Daphne Sluggert, Anne Heal, Anne Knott, Joan Lein, Ruth Lewis, Louise Forsberg, Harriet Forsberg, Deanna Holden, Esther Baade and Pat Greenhalgh.

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## Former Sidney Lady Passes

Mrs. Fletcher North, former well known resident of Sidney and Saanich, passed away last week at Port Alberni, where she had resided with her daughter, Mrs. Madge Hickman. The deceased, a native of Yorkshire, came to Sidney about 40 years ago. Her husband was in the real estate business here and later ran a butcher shop in Saanich. He passed away at Saanich.

Besides her daughter, Mrs. North is survived by four sons, Walter of Winter Harbour, B.C., Herbert of Sidney, and Arthur and Jack of Victoria.

Funeral services were conducted at Port Alberni.

## ACTIVE STREET REPAIR PROGRAM UNDER WAY THROUGHOUT VILLAGE

Under the direction of Commissioner J. Bilgeri, head of the village's public works committee, an active program of graveling and grading Sidney streets has been launched. The work was started on Friday and will be continued until all streets and lanes are in good condition, the commissioner told The Review.

## PARENTS' NIGHT AT DEEP COVE FEATURES AWARDS TO SCOUTS

The Deep Cove Annual parents' night, held on April 13, featured displays by the Brownies, Guides, Cubs and Scouts of the district and proved a great success.

Cups were awarded to Elaine Erickson, of the Brownies; Ricky Donald of the Cubs, and Queen Scout Ron Smith, for being the best example of what a pack member should be.

H. E. Robertson acted as chairman. A. Donald and Wm. Todd were nominated to represent the parents on the Group Committee.

This event was sponsored by the Mothers' Auxiliary to the Cubs and Scouts.

Refreshments were served by the members of the auxiliary and the Local Association of Guides and Brownies.

The home cooking and candy

The junior boys played a very good game, but were defeated by only one point against Salt Spring. Morley Cornelius, Tommy Naysmith, Fred Scriver, George Peters, Mervin Deyotte, Allan Jordan, Bobbie Gaul, Doug Greenwood, Grant Curl, Ken Sampson and Billy Bickford were team members for Mount Newton. The final score was 13-12.

**15-POINT MARGIN**  
The last game played by the senior girls was won by Mount Newton. Girls scoring the winning 15 points were Gloria Lomas, captain; Doreen Bickford, Jessie Peard, Janet Tidman, Judy Kiddle, Greta Pedersen, Carol Greenhalgh, Lois Holloway and Sharon Butler. Salt Spring made a total of five runs.

Following the senior game, Salt Spring emerged the winner with

five runs. Mount Newton's score was one run made by Bert Higgs in the fourth inning. Players of the losing team were Bill Gilby, Bob Callaghan, Fred Essery, Barry Crooks, Bert Higgs, Jim O'Reilly, Dave Thomson, Gary McDonald and John Kelly.

Students are now beginning to practise for the annual track and field meet, which will be held on Friday, May 4, between Houses I, II and III. The inter-school competition, against Royal Oak and North Saanich will take place on Friday, May 11.

An indoor track and field meet was held in the gym during the week prior to Easter holidays. The winner was House III, with House I second and House II third. As a result of this competition, the following are House scores to date: House I, 20 points; House II, 10 points, and House III, 24 points.

My daughter, Mrs. A. C. Howe, joins me in sincere appreciation and thanks.

## IN AND

## Around Town

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Mr. and Mrs. J. Hamer, Anacortes, Wash., were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Gorton, Patricia Bay airport.

Mrs. J. D. Butler and grandson, Tony, Fourth St., have returned home following two weeks' visit to Portland, Oregon.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Simpson, Lulu Island, are holidaying at the home of the former's brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. B. Butterick, Fourth St.

Rev. E. S. Fleming, of Whalley, B.C., visited last week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Hall, East Saanich Road.

Mrs. H. T. Peter, formerly of Sidney, has taken up residence in Victoria.

Friends of Bert Storey, Fourth St., are sorry to learn he is a patient in Rest Haven hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. P. S. Johnson, Medicine Hat, Alta., are guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Puschie, First St.

Mrs. George Fassett and baby son, Francis, of Reynaud, Sask., are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. Trombley, McTavish Road.

Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Cline have returned to their home on Fourth St., following a six-month holiday in the south.

H. R. Brown. In a letter to the council last week Mrs. Atkins complained that she had heard nothing further and that no work had been carried out. She also noted that a laburnum tree on her property had already been killed by the accumulation of water and that she was fearful for her well.

The question was referred to the works committee for action.

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## DRAINAGE IS THREAT TO HER WATER SUPPLY

Drainage is a problem for Mrs. M. Atkins, of West Saanich Road, Brentwood. When Mrs. Atkins made a complaint of the condition of the ditch adjacent to her property she was assured that the complaint was justified. The assurance was given by an employee of the municipality who investigated.

She was later given confirmation that some action would be taken when she discussed it with Reeve

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## It Was a Lot of Wheat

BUT NOT QUITE 16 BUSHEL A MINUTE

Well, it was a lot of wheat, anyway.

N. E. Watts of Sidney was born in Yorkshire. That was a long time ago. He is preparing to celebrate his 89th birthday on July 25 of this year. He admits to being just 25 days younger than the Dominion of Canada.

To a community called Stonewall, Manitoba, he went in 1878 and there he learned to farm. In a recent issue of The Review Mr. Watts was kind enough to recall the hard work connected with threshing in the fall.

He stated at that time that he had worked on a threshing crew which threshed 16 bushels a minute.

Now, J. S. Gardner, of East Saanich Road, is also a prairie farmer. He learned to thresh wheat in Saskatchewan. Mr. Gardner is a year or two Mr. Watts' junior. He did some mathematics on Mr. Watts' figure of 16 bushels a minute and found that it was almost 1,000 bushels an hour. Refusing to admit that Manitobans could thresh wheat faster than Saskatchewan farmers, he spoke to Mr. Watts about it.

### HE WAS WRONG

Mr. Watts also did some calculations and came promptly to The Review office to admit that he was wrong. About 60 years ago at Stonewall, Man., his crew had threshed 1,000 bushels from 6 a.m. to noon, he said. That was a good morning's work—but it was still a little less than 16 bushels per minute.

While he feels as frisky as ever, Mr. Watts has decided to stop driving his car. He learned to drive in Sidney about 30 years ago—he was only around 60 at that time. Today, with his 89th birthday in the offing, he feels that he may be wise to give up driving and he will dispose of his car. He recalls with pleasure the days when he drove Sidney's rural mail route, about 20 years ago, when he was a mere 70.

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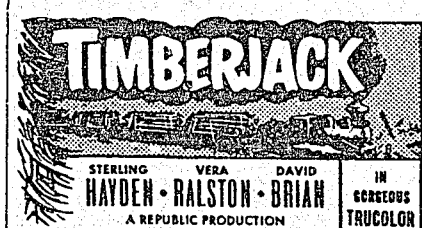
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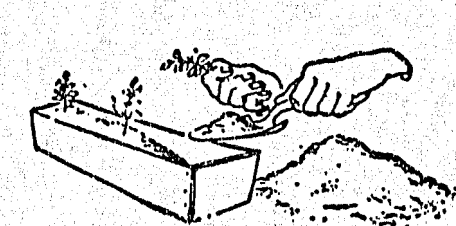
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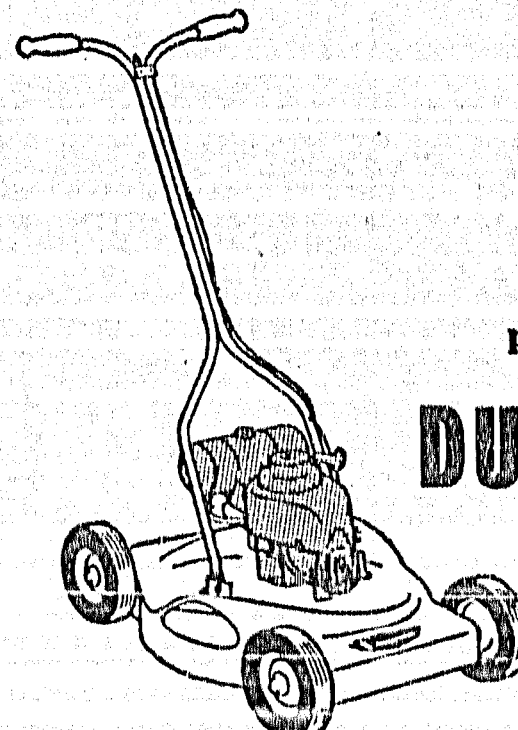
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